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Firemen Going Trendy?

Victoria city firemen want new-style informal dress uniforms but they don't want peaked caps or any other type of headwear, which could clash with today's trendy hair styles.

Fire Chief Eric Simmons told city aldermen today that the Victoria firefighters have requested the new uniforms as one of their proposals in contract negotiations now under way.

As he showed the fire committee rough sketches of the suggested style of dress — a complete departure from the present military-type uniforms — there were some raised eyebrows and jokes, but no actual opposition.

However, the committee asked the fire chief to produce a more definite sample before any decision is made, and to consult with other municipal fire departments in Greater Victoria concerning the possibility of having standardized uniforms.

Simmons explained that the firefighters would like to replace the present dark-blue trousers and double-breasted jacket with double-knit pants and a dress shirt with badge on the shoulder.

In summer the shirt would be short-sleeved and worn open-neck style, while in winter it would be a long-sleeved version worn with tie under a light nylon jacket.

For more formal occasions "such as the firemen's ball," the nylon jacket would be replaced with a blazer bearing the department's crest on the pocket.

Simmons said in part the suggestions had arisen out of problems involving the length of hair.

"They like to wear their hair fairly long and thick these days and it certainly doesn't go along with caps," he added.

Aldermen agreed with that point, noting the caps worn by postmen with Afro hair styles tend to look absurd.

Grain Workers Spurning Pact

PROSPECT LAKE CRASH LEAVES TWO DEAD

Two men were killed when the car they were riding in crashed head-on into a gravel truck on Prospect Lake Road near Munn Road at 11:05 a.m. today.

Saanich police are withholding names and ages of the victims pending notification of next of kin.

The name of the truck driver has also not been re-

leased though it is understood he was not injured.

A nearby resident said one of the victims was decapitated in the mishap. The other was pronounced dead on arrival at Victoria General Hospital.

The resident said the car in which the pair was travelling, a Volkswagen, was utterly demolished. Bits and pieces of the vehicle covered the road.

Bank Report Hits Wage Hike Race

By PETER THOMSON
Times Ottawa Bureau

OTTAWA — Anyone gaining a wage or salary increase today is taking it out of someone else's pocket because the economy is not producing any more, Bank of Canada Governor Gerald Bouey stated Wednesday.

And he warned that the continuing race for wage and salary increases is running Canada into a serious economic situation where everyone could suffer a reduction in standard of living.

In his annual report to the Minister of Finance, Bouey said that wage and salary increases are a major factor in the rapid increases in costs in Canada.

"There is, in fact, an open race going on between various groups for larger increases in money incomes."

"Since the race is occurring in a period in which there is

no real increase in average real income per capita being achieved in the economy, none of the participants can gain except at the expense of others," Bouey said.

He said the seeking of higher incomes is "self-reinforcing" because even the less aggressive groups in society feel compelled to assert themselves for fear of falling far behind.

The process is self-defeating, Bouey stated, because the faster one group runs, the faster other groups run to gain and hold a lead.

"Meanwhile, the process is socially divisive and economically counter-productive," he said.

The governor, who is one of the two principle advisers to the finance minister, said that industries might not be able to pass on higher wage costs to customers.

Those industries facing foreign competition, at home or abroad, face the prospect of becoming less competitive vis-a-vis foreign suppliers.

This situation could lead to reduced production, higher per-unit costs, and still less chance of competing with foreign industries.

"The escalation of costs is seriously hindering rational investment planning on which the longer term prosperity of the economy depends."

"Nothing would do more to improve the prospects for the Canadian economy than a rapid slackening in the tempo of this race for higher money incomes," Bouey declared.

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Although mail was moving normally around the country today, an enormous backlog of export grain remains to be tackled following a tentative settlement of the wage dispute that brought on more than a month of revolving strikes by federal blue-collar workers.

However, the bottleneck on grain exports on the west coast remained plugged as Vancouver, Kelowna and Samson in elevators went to a "study session" to consider the pay deal and longshoremen there remained out on a separate strike.

And in Thunder Bay, grain workers voted to reject the proposed contract.

They had borne the brunt of the strike and deserved more than the \$600 retroactive bonus the contract offers to all GLT workers, they claimed.

The striking PSAC members in Victoria returned to work this morning, but the recommended contract settlement isn't popular with the union members, regional representative Tom Dalzell said today.

"The members are pretty disgusted with it — to be out on strike so long and gain so little," Dalzell said.

There are about 600 general, labor and trades group employees in Victoria, but not all were involved in the rotating strike plan.

The federal operations affected most in Victoria were the Ogden Point grain elevator and the transport ministry marine services base on Harbour Road.

A ratification vote on the contract will be carried out now. Results are expected on the weekend.

The tentative settlement arrived at through mediation, would provide the 18,600 PSAC members with a 25.25-per-cent raise over a 26-month contract.

Strongest dissatisfaction with the wage settlement was expressed in the Atlantic provinces, where Larry Wallace, president of a PSAC local at the Canadian Forces base in Gagetown, N.B., said he and other union officials are meeting today to consider voting non-confidence in the union's bargaining team.

"Our negotiators have sold us down the river," said Wallace, who is also president of a PSAC council representing 109 locals in the eastern provinces. "We are very disgusted with this," he added.

In Ottawa, PSAC personnel went back to work but a spokesman said it is expected the membership ratification vote on the agreement worked out with the treasury board will be close.

Hanoi Now In Control Of Half South Vietnam

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SAIGON — An entire North Vietnamese division led by tanks invaded the extreme northern section of South Vietnam today, immediately overrunning Quang Tri.

At least eight provinces, almost half the country, are now under Communist domination and several more are threatened.

The stunning military setbacks brought a mass evacuation of more than a million refugees, apparently being carried out with full compliance of the Communists. Viet Cong troops gathered on Highway 7 in the Central Highlands and waved at one 60-mile-long convoy of fearful people.

The latest province to fall was Binh Long, 60 miles north of Saigon and bordering

Phuoc Long which fell in January. The Binh Long capital of An Loc withstood one of the heaviest sieges of this or any other war — 7,000 rounds of artillery fire a day for six months. Today the residents of An Loc packed up and left.

The Communist forces are now moving south toward Hue, amid moderate-to-heavy fighting.

Hue itself and the entire 80-mile stretch of South Vietnam from Quang Tri south to Da Nang are being abandoned by the government.

The loss of Quang Tri and Hue, coming on top of the abandonment of the Central Highlands, constitutes the most rapid and disastrous military setback for the Thieu regime in the history of the war.

Never before have major

population centres been abandoned with only token fighting.

South of Da Nang, the government is evacuating three heavily populated districts — Que Son, Duo Duc, and Dai Loc.

There is difficulty in the evacuation, however, because the Communists have cut off Route 1 about 15 miles south of Da Nang, possibly trapping tens of thousands of people before their advancing armies.

"We think that the battle for Hue will not be long in coming," said a government official, indicating that although the government believes it will lose the city, it will not give it away without some fighting.

The same strategy is apparently being followed in the

Highlands, where about a division or less of government troops is being left to harass the Communists.

Sources said Pleiku and Kontum cities have been declared free fire zones. More than 50 bombing sorties over the highlands have destroyed 100 planes, oil depots, ammunition dumps and other important government positions, sources said.

"We're following a scorched-earth policy line the Russians used against Hitler," said one government official.

President Nguyen Van Thieu was scheduled to address the nation on television Wednesday night but cancelled the broadcast without explanation.

One government official See SOUTH Page 2

Injunction Move Delayed

An application for an injunction to restrain picket activity by striking-school janitors and maintenance men was adjourned until 9 a.m. Tuesday in B.C. Supreme Court this morning.

Mr. Justice R. A. Wootton granted the adjournment at request of Local 382 Canadian Union of Public Employees union solicitor Ian Stewart, who said he had not had time to take instructions and that because of "widespread issues, arguments may be of substantial length."

School District 61 asked for a court order to eliminate mass picketing which the union has rotated between secondary schools and which it is argued has caused a sharp increase in student absenteeism throughout the district.

Schools are operating on a reduced basis with classes ranging from one to three hours, depending upon arrangements for volunteer cleaning at individual schools. (See page 11.)

The janitor local said its action of mass picketing was to draw public attention to the dispute and force the parties to resume bargaining toward a settlement. School employees are among nearly 1,800 civic and regional district staff on strike or locked out since Jan. 27.

CUPE representative Tom Smith said Wednesday an acceleration of the CUPE strike action is possible unless civic employers get down to bargaining.

School employees have stopped the type of mass picketing that resulted in a number of confrontations with teachers, and in the past two days have been distributing leaflets comparing salaries and wage gains of CUPE members and school administrators.

Smith said there were some CUPE locals in the Greater Victoria area which have "withheld themselves" from any action so far in the civic dispute but which may decide "they want to join with the rest of CUPE locals that could be in this position — Royal Oak Burial Park employees, North Saanich municipal workers, and employees of the Greater Victoria and Sidney water districts.

"We just want to make it clear that we have not exercised the maximum amount of pressure we could have," Smith said.

He said he had not suggested to these locals that they join in the CUPE dispute or had discussions with the members about joining, "but they (the members) may feel they want to participate if the dispute continues."

Smith denied an earlier report that there is a possibility of a general strike, involving affiliates of the Victoria Labor Council.

"There have been no discussions whatsoever about promoting a general strike of organized labor," he said.



RUSH HOUR TRAFFIC fills more than the streets in downtown Victoria these days. Clouds of starlings come to roost about supertime in trees along

Belleville Street near Empress Hotel. There's a difference though. Despite numbers and absence of traffic signals, they never collide.

U.S. Firms May Get Jobs In Gov't Dredging Dilemma

Fischer Bows Out

BERGEN (AP) — World chess champion Bobby Fischer said today he will not meet Soviet challenger Anatoly Karpov in a scheduled \$5-million title match.

Fischer said earlier he would not defend the title unless both of his proposals for changes in the scoring system for the title match are accepted.

The congress Wednesday accepted one of Fischer's demands — for an unlimited number of drawn games with the title going to the player who reached 10 victories—but rejected a change that would allow Fischer to keep the title in event of a nine-nine tie.

The developments virtually insure that Karpov will become world champion by default.

OTTAWA (CP) — American dredging companies may get government business because of the dredging scandal.

Public Works Minister C. M. Drury told the Commons public works committee Wednesday that this is one of several alternatives his department is studying even though Canadian workers could be affected.

The public works department study illustrates the dilemma the government faces in awarding dredging contracts this summer.

The thirteen companies facing criminal charges in the dredging case account for much of the industry in the country.

A transport department official said the department will continue its current procedure of handing out dredging contracts unless otherwise notified.

Several of the companies charged in the dredging case were involved in a \$21 million transport department contract

for the Ile d'Orleans area in the St. Lawrence river.

The public works minister said his department is looking at a number of alternatives including a Crown corporation for dredging or even granting contracts to some of the firms involved in the scandal.

He indicated he does not like the Crown corporation idea.

"We are looking at a greater degree of centralization of all dredging operations under one department rather than having a number of departments and independent harbor commissions responsible for their own dredging," Drury said.

Under current departmental policy only Canadian corporations may bid for dredging contracts and use equipment of Canadian registry.

Replying to James McGrath (P.C.-St. John's East), Drury said that because some Canadian companies have been charged with criminal conspiracy on some contracts did not necessarily mean that the government "isn't able to get them to continue to work provided the costs are adequately controlled."

Max Saltzman (NDP-Waterloo-Cambridge) said the government should set up a crown corporation to handle government dredging contracts.

Transport Minister Jean Marchand has already indicated he thinks the idea is worth considering.

The problem with the government doing all its own dredging is that it would be saddled with idle equipment for much of the year, he said. This was uneconomic.

Some public works dredging contracts still are being carried out on the west coast.

Superprize To Canadian ... Again

DUBLIN (CP) — J. P. Proulx of Hinton, Alta, today won the Irish Hospitals Sweepstake "superprize" of £200,000 (about \$400,000) in its draw of the Lincolnshire Handicap.

This is the tenth time a Canadian has won the major prize.

In Hinton, Proulx said he plans to ask for a leave of absence from his \$300-a-week job cutting trees.

"He and his wife had not yet decided what to do with the money. But Proulx said that, as the Olympic lottery agent in Hinton, he is accustomed to handling large amounts of money.

The ticket was pulled out of a drum at the start of the draw for holders of horses in the Lincolnshire this Saturday.

A DUEL OF WORDS IN QUEEN'S HONOR

A duel will be fought in Toronto this spring between William Hamilton, the British politician, and sword-master Patrick Crean, who challenged Hamilton over his "scurrilous" book on the royal family.

The weapons will be words. Crean, in Victoria for his show The Sun Never Sets at the McPherson Playhouse tonight, said he heard of Hamilton's acceptance today.

Being the challenged, Hamilton had the choice of weapons.

"His weapon will be his tongue," Crean said. "I'm in the nature of being rather like Malcolm in Macbeth. I have no weapon, my voice is my sword."

He and Hamilton would undoubtedly discuss the politician's book, Crean said.

"I'm sure it will be very interesting and we'll get along famously, probably having lunch afterwards in spite of our differences of opinion."

What are Crean's chances of winning? "It will be an honor even to be defeated with words if the defeat is for my queen," Crean said.

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Jail Terms Urged for Insider Trading

Insider trading on the Vancouver Stock Exchange will become a criminal offence subject to a \$2,000 fine or one year in jail under legislation introduced by the provincial government Wednesday.

One of four bills submitted by Attorney-General Alex Macdonald, the Securities Amendment Act also provides that the government must approve any changes in the rules of the Vancouver Stock Exchange.

The government, said Mac-

donald, has set up a three-member committee which includes VSE representative David Huberman to look at all regulations of the exchange.

"We want to approve or disapprove of regulations. We are concerned that the listings are legitimate ventures for the public-invest in," said Macdonald.

Another cause for concern, he said, is the ease with which new listings are put on the exchange.

The department's new Crime Law Enforcement unit has outlined problems in the stock exchange. CLEU is looking at practices of puffing up and cornering shares.

"There's too many horses (businesses) allowed to run," said the attorney-general. "Some of them should have been left out to pasture."

The government intends to ensure that the VSE achieves a good reputation and make sure it is successful. People

have to believe in its reputation, he said.

Chief concern, however, is insider trading which has been a problem, although not a major one.

Macdonald said the legislation allows the superintendent of brokers, appointed by the government, to designate remedies for the victim of insider trading.

The pertinent section provides: "That every insider of a corporation or associate or affil-

iate of the insider, who makes use of any specific confidential information for his own benefit, that, if generally known, might reasonably be expected to affect the material value of securities, is liable."

Those found guilty of infractions may be directed to compensate for loss suffered by an individual or company, and face the fine.

The first major piece of legislation to be introduced this

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BIG BURGER GIVEAWAY UNDERSCORES BEEFS

WINNIPEG (CP)—Scores of people had to be turned away today from a hamburger-giveaway staged by the Manitoba Cow-Calf Producers Association to protest low beef prices.

The 500 lucky ones who started forming a line in front of city hall at 9 a.m., walked off with two-pound packages.

But while about 75 persons were turned away they were told the association likely will conduct another giveaway. Terry Eyojolson, president of the association, said the giveaway will be doubled to 2,000 pounds next week.

Association officials say government help is needed to prevent an estimated 35-per-cent of cow-calf producers from being forced into bankruptcy within the next six months.

Dead Man Wins Poll

HANNA, Alta. (CP)—A by-election in this small railway community in southeastern Alberta was won Wednesday by a dead man. The two-way election for council was won by Oscar Rowden, who died last week.

After Rowden's death, the municipal affairs department ruled the election would proceed. The result gave Rowden 181 votes, compared with 131 for E. D. Ironside. The provincial government has ruled the vote invalid.

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for southern B.C., issued an order Wednesday that the Friendly Cove area was to be closed "as soon as possible."

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He said the area is a traditional fishing ground for Noot-

kas, who harvest spawn from kelp beds on the beach.

In a telegram to Leblanc and other Liberal MPs, Watts said herring spawn was being destroyed by a large number of commercial vessels.

Crouter said he believed only eight vessels were in the area, but said there could be 30 because of bad weather conditions forcing vessels to take shelter.

A large herring catch was forecast for McKay Reach, five miles from Friendly

Cove, he said, and some vessels probably stopped at Friendly Cove.

Watts, said in a telephone interview there were 30 vessels in an area 100 yards wide in places.

Crouter said white fishermen would be quite upset when they heard of the closure and that "most likely any fisherman who got a call from the fisheries department under the circumstances would just ignore the call."



SNOWBOUND SUNBATHER in southern Ontario community of Brantford is Eric Winter, 52. The circular wall of snow which surrounds him serves as a windbreak. Winter says that he has sunbathed in temperatures as low as five degrees above zero.

100 CIA Agents Said Spying on Britons

LONDON (AP)—A member of Parliament said today the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) operates a 100-man station at the United States embassy in London and the agents tap the phones and examine the mail of many Britons.

The U.S. embassy replied with a "no comment" to the allegations by Tom Litterick, a member of the ruling Labor party's left-wing Tribune faction which has been conducting an anti-CIA campaign.

The charge came after more than 30 members of the Tribune group signed a parliamentary motion demanding immediate expulsion of 10 embassy attaches alleged to be CIA officers.

Parliamentary motions of this kind seldom reach debate in the House of Commons and eventually are allowed to die.

Litterick told the London Evening News he got details of the phone tapping from Victor Marchetti, a former CIA agent and co-author of the controversial book *The CIA: The Cult of Intelligence*.

"People are being bugged, followed and having their mail examined," Litterick told *The News*. "Other incredible things are happening. It is not so much top politicians and industrialists which are being spied on, but men who have had Secret Service connections or unusual jobs. In some cases they are quite ordinary people."

"The CIA is operating just like the Russian secret ser-

vice, the KGB. If they had their way they would have our entire population documented and fingerprinted for any future use," he added.

Litterick said the 10 names

had been arrived at by examining the career records of U.S. embassy staff named in the British government's diplomatic list, which is on sale to the general public.

Fishboat Chase

VANCOUVER (CP)—A 14-year-old youth aboard a stolen fishboat led police on a 40-mile chase before he was captured Wednesday.

RCMP in Richmond said the 28-foot gillnetter was reported stolen from its New Westminster dock Wednesday morning by its Port Coquitlam owner.

The crew of a police launch sighted the boat shortly before noon and gave chase, south to Roberts Bank before police forced the boat into the south arm of the Fraser where it ran aground.

INSIDER TRADING ACTION

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session, the bill comes into effect when proclaimed by the government.

Macdonald said he is against any trading procedures which would allow trading on the basis of stock options.

There are indications that a procedure called the Chicago Board option is being considered by the stock exchange and "I'm agin it," said the attorney-general.

The practice would allow trading of stock options to buy or sell, without stock ownership.

"It's not contributing to investment in companies in the province in terms of growth and welfare," said Macdonald, adding that the procedure has been allowed in Ontario.

Other minor legislation includes: Public Trustee Amendment Act, which would allow public trustees of estates to demand audited statements of estates on the complaint of relatives where the beneficiaries are under age or mentally disordered.

The Investment Contracts Amendment Act provides for

appeals to Corporate and Financial Services Commission within 30 days of decisions made by the superintendent of brokers.

The Administration Amendment Act provides necessary changes to allow a complaint against estate decisions to be forwarded to a public trustee instead of the courts.

Last year the provincial government introduced amendments to the act which provided for two government representatives on the VSE board of directors.

South Viets In Retreat

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said Wednesday. "If Thieu doesn't come up with a good explanation of this policy change, he's in deep trouble. I've never heard so much conversation about the necessity of overthrowing Thieu as I heard this morning."

Amid the abandonment of provinces, unofficial reports persist that Thieu has made a deal with the Communists.

But U.S. and South Vietnamese officials continue to deny this.

The widespread pullback

is necessary because of cuts in U.S. aid, they claim.

In Washington, U.S. Defence Secretary James Schlesinger today blamed Congress for the loss of the provinces and said the Communists will probably plan a direct attack on Saigon next year.

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the weather

Isolated shower activity will continue over most of the forecast regions today with snow showers expected over the interior and north coast. A few sunny periods can be expected along the west coast this afternoon as a small high pressure area moves onto the west coast this morning pushing most of the moist unstable air eastward. Sunny breaks will be short lived however as a new storm centre near ship Papa is moving rapidly eastward and is expected to spread overcast skies and periods of rain to the west coast tonight. Gale force winds are expected for all coastal waters of B.C. for tonight and Friday morning.

DOMINION PUBLIC WEATHER OFFICE
— 10 A.M. FORECASTS
Valid Until Midnight Friday

Greater Victoria: Today, mainly cloudy with isolated showers. Mainly sunny this afternoon. Highs near 50. Friday, overcast with periods of rain. Windy at times. Lows near 40. Highs in the upper forties.

North and West Vancouver Island: Today, cloudy periods with occasional showers occasionally mixed with snow over northern sections. Becoming overcast with periods of rain late this evening. Highs in the mid-forties. Fri-

day, overcast with periods of rain. Windy at times. Lows in the upper thirties. Highs in the mid-forties.

Greater Vancouver: Today, mainly cloudy with occasional showers this morning. Mainly sunny this afternoon. Highs in the upper forties. Friday, overcast with periods of rain. Windy at times. Lows near 40. Highs in the upper forties.

Lower Mainland, East Vancouver Island: Today, mainly cloudy with occasional showers this morning turning to snow at higher levels. Mainly sunny this afternoon. Highs in the upper forties. Friday, overcast with periods of rain. Snow at higher levels. Windy at times. Lows in the upper thirties. Highs in the upper forties.

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CITY'S WEATHER RECORD
Sunshine March 97.7 hrs.
Last March 76.6 hrs.
Normal (30 years) 93.3 hrs.
Sunshine, 1975 222.8 hrs.
Last year 247.9 hrs.
Normal (30 years) 264.8 hrs.
Precipitation March 1.06 ins.
Last March 1.94 ins.
Normal (30 years) 1.22 ins.
Precipitation, 1975 9.87 ins.
Last year 11.80 ins.
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(Pacific Standard Daylight Time)
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Community News

capital scene

Calgary General Hospital graduate nurses are invited to a luncheon Wednesday, April 9, at 11:30 a.m., at the Oak Bay Beach Hotel.

The General Executive Committee of the Socialist Party of Canada will meet Tuesday, March 25 at 8 p.m., at 959 Darwin Ave.

The Couples Club of St. Saviour Church Hall will present slides on New Zealand Saturday, March 22, at 1:30 p.m., at the church, corner of Henry and Catherine.

Dorothy Abraham will speak on Proving the Bible at a meeting of the British Israel World Federation Sunday, March 23, at 3 p.m., at the Dominion Hotel.

The Vancouver Island branch of the Royal Commonwealth Society will hold a combined meeting with the English Speaking Union Friday, March 21, at 8 p.m., in the lower hall of Centennial United Church, 649 Gorge Road. Paul Scrivener will speak on India and Iran illustrated with slides.

The Esquimalt Golden Age Club will hold its annual meeting Wednesday, March 26, at 1:30 p.m., at St. Paul's Anglican Church Hall.

The Victoria Amateur Movie Club will hold its 11th annual spring film show of movies Saturday, March 22, at 8 p.m., at the Strawberry Vale Community Hall, corner of Burnside Road and High St.

Omicron chapter of Beta Sigma Phi will sponsor a rummage sale in the auditorium of Christ Church Cathedral Saturday, March 22, from 9:30 until 11:30 a.m.

The Royal Scottish Country Dance Society will hold its St. Patrick's workshop and dance Saturday, March 22, at 1:15 p.m. and 8 p.m. at St. Martin's in the Field Church Hall, Obed Ave.

A meeting to form the Oak Bay Figure Skating Club will be held Monday, March 24, at 8:15 p.m., at Henderson Park Pavilion.

The Status of Women Action Group will meet Monday, March 24, at 8 p.m., at the Unitarian Church, 106 Superior St. A proposed office staff in Victoria will be discussed and Arlene Groper of the B.C. Commission will speak on the findings of the commission.

The Boys' Club of Greater Victoria will hold an annual meeting Monday, March 24, at 8 p.m., at Victoria Boys' Club, 1240 Yates St.

Dr. Dorothy Blakely Smith will speak on Poor Gaggin—Irish Misfit in the Colonial Service at a meeting of the Victoria Branch of the British Columbia Historical Association Thursday, March 27, at 8:15 p.m., in the Newcombe Auditorium of the Provincial Museum.

The PTA of St. Andrew's School will sponsor a fashion show Wednesday, April 2, at 8 p.m., at St. Andrew's Activity Centre, 1012 Pandora Ave. Proceeds will forward the purchase of sewing machines and other supplies for the home economics classes at the school.

One residential block in Victoria will have its own mall soon, complete with new topsoil and planters, and minus car traffic.

Efforts of two citizens and the FERNWOOD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION resulted in recent city hall approval for the closing of Pembroke Street between Oregon and Stanley.

Community development worker Brian Lewis said the short block will be closed to through traffic, although residents will be able to drive in and park.

The two behind the project are Coral Loy and Kathy Dickerson, who became concerned after several children on Pembroke were hit by cars in the past few years.

They circulated petitions and spoke to city aldermen about the possibility, said Dickerson, and have now met with success.

"We're just ecstatic," she said.

"The community is really getting together. We're going to be putting up a basketball hoop, and to close the street we're going to have a ribbon-cutting ceremony."

She said the actual closing of the street will occur when city employees are back to work.

In more FERNWOOD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION news, a general meeting will be held March 26 at 8 p.m. in Springridge Theatre.

Ald. Mike Young will attend to give some of his personal views on city hall versus neighborhood attitudes toward N.I.P.

James Bay and Vic West have received N.I.P. money and Fernwood is likely next on the list, but Young thinks the area should be cleared before another neighborhood rushes into the project.

"I don't think the city and the neighborhood were in accord on how the N.I.P.s should be carried out," he said.

He said James Bay and Vic West community groups wanted the money used for projects that wouldn't otherwise have been financed, while city officials wanted it to further plans already mapped out for the areas.

The city thought N.I.P. money would go to improve the character of the areas and the homes there, not to build recreation centres, he said.

As the N.I.P. idea progressed, municipal plans for the neighborhoods assumed less importance in the minds of community spokesmen, he said.

"The local associations began to think it was the only incumbent on the city to rubberstamp the ideas put forth in neighborhood questionnaires."

Everyone is invited to the meeting to hear Young, and participate in other Fernwood business.

CADBORO BAY RATEPAYERS have a planning committee already making decisions on the regional plan as it relates to their area.

"We've discussed all the phases of planning but in a general way," said committee head Fred Francis this week.

They will present their suggestions to the regional board soon.

METCHOSIN AND ALBERT HEAD RATEPAYERS are waiting for a reply from the regional board on their request to hire their own individual planner.

"I don't see how you can ask 1,000 people to draw up a plan," said John Waterman of the Metchosin group.

According to their regional representative Ken Rainey, however, the board has not agreed with the idea and won't give them funds to fill the position.

Rainey said the provincial government has hired a high-priced consulting firm, and no more planners should be necessary.

No more details on the hired consulting firm were available.

Human Resources Minister Norm Levi has given the OAK BAY INTERIM ADVISORY COMMITTEE its official pat on the back, as Nancy Wilkin said this week.

Wilkin, who is conducting a community services survey for the committee, attended a meeting with Levi, another human resources department official and members of the advisory group Monday night.

"We talked about the whole concept of public participation," she said, adding Levi was impressed with the effort to put into finding out the needs of Oak Bay so far.

An initial survey was presented to a public meeting held at the senior citizens' centre last week, and people in attendance broke into groups, discussed the questionnaire and suggested changes.

"They really gave me new ideas and added scope to the questionnaire," said Wilkin.

Giving JAMES BAY NEW HORIZONS members a chance to iron out their income tax problems, Revenue Canada officer Betty Chalmers will be guest speaker at a senior forum Friday at 10 a.m. at 511 Michigan St. All seniors are invited.

The first Walk in the Park of spring this year will be held next Thursday morning at 10. Details can be obtained at the New Horizons centre.

What's happening in your community?

The Times on this page features news and views from community and ratepayer groups on southern Vancouver Island.

The community news page appears every Thursday and is available to any community-related, non-profit public groups.

Send or bring in your notices and reports of meetings to the Victoria Times, 2621 Douglas, or telephone 382-3131 and ask for "community news."

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Jewellery for Easter

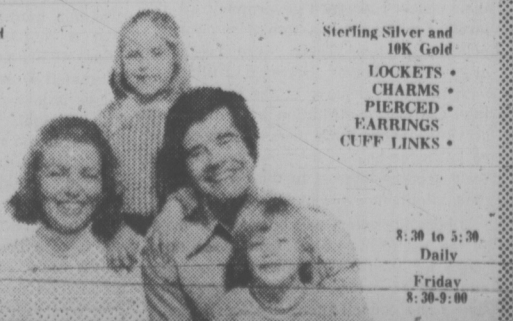
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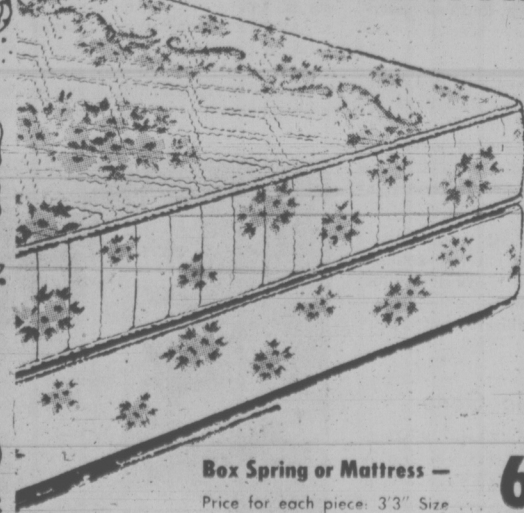
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STANDARD FURNITURE

Swap Now, Pay Later

The belated announcement that Canada and the United States are discussing an exchange of oil raises some disturbing questions. Is this the thin edge of the wedge in what will eventually become a continental energy policy? And why did Ottawa not reveal the possibility of oil exchange for border refineries when it announced its decision to phase out oil exports to the U.S.? The swap program apparently dominated the U.S. Canadian talks last October which resulted in Canada's decision to phase out exports.

Ottawa provided the public with the "good news" — the export phase out — almost immediately, but the oil swap idea surfaced in Washington only this week. It is not reassuring for the Canadian public to find out about a reversal in government policy during bilateral talks in a foreign country. Since the announcement of the phase out of oil exports the Trudeau administration has been under severe pressure from the U.S. to supply American markets with up to 500,000 barrels of oil per day, or approximately half the quantity now being exported south

of the border. When the Canadian government stood firm the Americans broached the oil swap plan: In basic terms the exchange would entail Canada supplying U.S. border refineries that have no other sources of crude oil. If, for example Alberta oil was supplied to Minnesota refineries, the U.S. might pump oil into Canada's east coast areas now dependent on Venezuelan petroleum.

It all looks very simple on the surface, like neighbors exchanging cups of sugar over the back fence. But diverting Alberta oil into Minnesota would mean costly pipeline modifications, not to mention the possibility of shortages in Ontario. Nor do we have any assurance that the U.S. is a secure source of supply in any swapping arrangements. Another U.S. foreign adventure might result in the Arabs turning off the tap again. Our hard pressed neighbors would naturally think of themselves first in such a situation.

According to news reports Ottawa is wary of the swap idea on the basis of prices, technical problems and most important, the availability of supply. Certainly Ottawa owes the Americans the

courtesy of discussing a petroleum exchange. Even though our petroleum exports are being phased out there is bound to be some energy exchanges — as there already are in electrical power — between our two nations. But there is one basic point the public should remember: Canada has the energy resources; the U.S. does not. We can bargain from a position of strength. Any quantities above and beyond our own needs should be marketable. Yet the National Energy Board has yet to even establish our basic needs, except in the vaguest of terms on information supplied mostly by U.S. oil companies. The possibility of oil swaps should be conditional on Canada knowing its reserves down to the last decimal point. Only then can the government make any energy decisions. And even then exchanges should be very limited, perhaps only in times of emergencies.

The Americans keep introducing the spectre of a continental energy policy in different guises. Canada has everything to lose and nothing to gain by allowing itself to be sucked into an energy vortex. The crunch is here; Ottawa must stand firm.



FRED CLEVERLEY

Anti-Semitism in Manitoba

WINNIPEG — Does anti-semitism abound in Manitoba politics, particularly within the ranks of the Progressive Conservative party? Consider the words of the Conservative leader, Sidney Spivak, in his major speech to a party policy convention in Winnipeg:

"I am a Canadian, I am also Progressive Conservative. And I am a member of the Jewish faith. I do not believe that my religion in any way affects my capacity to lead this party, nor in any way alters, affects or impairs my ability to assume the responsibilities of premier of this province."

If the convention needed a bombshell to add to the undercurrent of dissatisfaction within the party with Spivak's leadership, the statement provided it.

Manitoba Conservatives can smell success in the next provincial election. Many members of the party are convinced they would be the government today had they been led in the 1973 general election by someone other than Spivak. But until Spivak made his unexpected statement, few believed that his Jewish faith had anything to do with the problem.

made a public announcement of his intention to walk out of the convention, and said he had reconsidered because such action would only draw attention to what Spivak was saying. But Nurgitz also announced that if anti-semitism remained the issue that Spivak had chosen to make it, in the party leadership convention next December he would contest the leadership himself and challenge Spivak to accuse him of being anti-semitic. Nurgitz is also Jewish.

Critics of Spivak's action have already suggested that the statement itself shows just how desperate Spivak is to remain as party leader. They also say

among members who oppose the inter-party bickering which can help only the New Democrats during the current session of the legislature.

It is difficult to determine if Spivak is convinced he is being trapped in a net of anti-semitism, but if he is, he must have forgotten that he was the first man of his particular faith to be chosen as party leader.

It is more likely that Spivak doesn't realize the extent of dissatisfaction with his leadership that exists within party ranks. One of his critics compared Spivak's analysis of party support with his interpretation of electioneering.

"Everytime someone shakes his hand, Sidney is convinced he has won that particular vote. Because the convention audience gave him a standing ovation at the end of a speech which dealt mostly with government misdoings, Sidney will believe that they are behind him on the religious issue he raised as well."

Spivak has insulated himself from the Conservative caucus in many matters, particularly since at least three members of the caucus were directly involved in questioning his continuing leadership just days before the legislature session began.

Spivak Isolated

Spivak's contacts with the party and the public are more through his private staff, a staff he apparently considers more loyal than men who are open in their desire for his leadership position.

Sometimes this works to his disadvantage. A new member of this private staff recently lectured the legislature press gallery on the importance of showing the proper respect to the leader of the official opposition. In spite of Spivak's later protestations that he knew nothing of the lecture, a whole series of "call me mister" jokes immediately surfaced, causing some embarrassment.

The message, prevalent among party members, that the Conservatives need a new leader to insure their victory over Ed Schreyer's New Democrats in 1977, has never penetrated Spivak's office. In his convention speech, he compared the difficulties he was encountering in overcoming religious opposition to those successfully fought by John F. Kennedy in becoming the first Roman Catholic president of the United States.

Many Conservatives in Manitoba think the comparison was a little exaggerated.



SIDNEY SPIVAK

... rural anti-semitism detectable

the statement has caused some damage to the party which will not be easily repairable, because any criticism of Spivak's leadership, any move to install another leader, or any wavering from his leadership is immediately open, by Spivak's own words, to interpretation as being anti-semitic.

Huband immediately accused Spivak of twisting his words in an attempt to bring up anti-semitism, and Nurgitz, who seems to be leading the campaign to quash any anti-semitic talk, called on Spivak to apologize to the Liberal leader.

Huband's known stand on the question of civil liberties and human rights (he is an advocate of both) has caused some backlash in the Conservative party

Penned Note

As he was speaking, former national Progressive Conservative president Nathan Nurgitz penned a note to be passed to a prominent member of the party sitting at the same table. The note read: "I thought the issue was competence, not religion."

It is quite true that Manitoba has never elected a Jewish premier. It is also true that in rural areas of the province a feeling of anti-semitism is detectable, and is blamed by both Liberals and Conservatives for the lack of enthusiastic support during the period, recently ended, when both parties were being led by Jews. However, this suggestion is tempered by the fact that both leaders were then typical of sophisticated urban lawyers, an image which has never been acceptable in rural Manitoba.

Particularly unfortunate for both opposition groups in the Manitoba legislature was the PC leader's choice of a springboard from which to leap into his anti-semitic statement. He referred to a statement attributed to the new Liberal leader in Manitoba, Charles Huband, who when questioned about the role of religion in Manitoba politics said that being Jewish was a regrettable disability in this province.

Three days after the speech, Nurgitz

Election Spending

Like Mark Twain and his celebrated saying about the weather, Premier Dave Barrett keeps talking and talking about stringent election spending and disclosure legislation, but doesn't seem to be doing much about it.

Such a law was promised a year ago, then mentioned again last fall by the premier, and the latest word on the eagerly awaited bill came this week.

Barrett said B.C. will have the toughest and most restrictive election expenses act that mere mortals can draw up. It will require, he told MLAs, disclosure of all donations to political parties, strict limits on election spending and disclosure of donations "in kind" such as advertising space or radio and television airtime.

(This last-mentioned item wouldn't be complete without a requirement to disclose volunteered labor upon which the New Democratic Party especially depends.)

The premier said his government also is looking closely at possibly providing a form of subsidy out of the public treasury to political parties, as do the recently-enacted federal Election Expenses Act and the proposed Ontario law.

He should step carefully here — subsidies for almost everyone in society may be the norm nowadays, but many British Columbians would draw the line at helping to pay for a candidate's election expenses.

Barrett noted that the Social Credit party has been advertising extensively of late on radio and television and in the newspapers, even though there is no official election campaign on.

"We have a right to know where those millions are coming from," he reportedly said. "Are they coming from all those little people out there? You've got to be kidding."

The New Democratic Party has also been advertising extensively lately, and using the "little people's" money exclusively. Hardly a week goes by without a new full-page advertisement or broadcast commercial explaining or extolling what the NDP hath wrought.

Those whose political memories extend beyond Aug. 30, 1972 might recall the loud protests from the opposition benches (then occupied by the NDP) when, coincidentally of course, before an election, extensive advertising campaigns were mounted by various government departments, with cabinet ministers' photographs and names prominent.

With the change in governments two and a half years ago came a change in this area too. The NDP government advertises itself year-round, at public expense, not just when an election is in the offing.

Barrett should include in his bill a section limiting advertising to a short period before the actual vote, as Ontario's bill does, and it should ban the kind of lavish self-praising government advertising Social Credit used to mount, and which the NDP has imitated.

Clearly, though, election spending needs to be reformed. The disgraceful way money has been used in past elections, and the present controversy over a cabinet minister's acceptance of \$200, and the lopsided party spending in the 1972 election (Social Credit spent \$1.36 million, the NDP \$490,768, Tories \$380,939 and Liberals \$350,834), demonstrate the pressing need only too well. B.C. has been waiting so long, even the one-man Conservative contingent in the legislature, Dr. Scott Wallace, has found time enough to draft a model spending bill. Premier Barrett should stop talking and introduce his bill.

C. L. SULZBERGER

Israel Delaying Peace Moves?

AMMAN, Jordan — King Hussein of Jordan is personally more involved with the question of Arab-Israeli peace than any other Arab chief of state for the simple reason: as he puts it, that four generations of his family have been linked directly to Jerusalem.

His great-grandfather is buried there and his grandfather was slain there by an assassin. Hussein himself was for long generally acknowledged to be the leader in charge of Palestinian Arab efforts to regain lands lost to Israel in 1967.

All that was changed by the Arab summit meeting in Rabat last autumn that formally assigned responsibility for recovering such territory to the Palestine Liberation Organization of Yasir Arafat.

Direct Role Gone

"Now for Jordan," says Hussein, "there is no longer a direct role. And in the international arena we stand behind PLO claims."

"We are committed to the Rabat decision and we won't move from it unless conditions change radically. Of course, we are keeping our bridges to the occupied west bank open to help support our brothers there. But we can't negotiate on behalf of the PLO. Israel wouldn't accept that. After all, why shouldn't it negotiate directly with the PLO?"

Because of this changed political status one can detect hints of new diplomatic attitudes here. A Soviet delegation is visiting Jordan this month — "the first we have ever had despite years of diplomatic relations," Hussein says. "We don't know the reason" for Moscow's interest, he adds. He also says "I have no reason not to talk with Arafat" although "at this stage" no problem requires such

a meeting. The two men were formerly open enemies.

The King insists Jordan now has "extremely good relations" with all Arab states. And he places great hopes in new negotiations as Secretary Kissinger returns to the Middle East. Great hopes, but one could scarcely say equal confidence. For Hussein, this month marks a crucial frontier in history, but no one



KING HUSSEIN

hard for Israel to choose can be certain what that time frontier delimits.

The big thing, he says, "is to regain a momentum toward peace. Otherwise the situation could deteriorate and lead to another disaster." He has high regard for Henry Kissinger's negotiating talents and doesn't think (as some other Arabs

do) that Egypt has any interest in seeking a separate accord with Israel.

For him, the situation seems to boil down simply to Israel's readiness to accept a return to its 1967 borders, before the six-day war, and face the question — territory or peace?

"It is hard for Israel to choose," he concedes, but that is the critical issue.

"If Israel continues along such lines it must obviously lose world support. And many people suspect they are seeking to delay progress on the assumption that next year you will have U.S. elections and the situation can be frozen."

"But this is a serious mistake. We must have progress toward peace — or we will have a more serious war than ever before. You can't have a no-war-no-peace situation that doesn't eventually wind up in war. I only hope that the Arab-Israeli and world energy problems won't be connected with each other at any critical point."

Notable Courtesy

The King, a short, compact man with deep voice and notable courtesy, is especially concerned with Jerusalem and the return of that city's eastern sector (containing Islamic holy places) to Arab sovereignty.

Indeed, this ticklish subject — Israel swears it will never again permit the city's partition — is emerging as perhaps the final crux.

Hussein is today a voice off-stage as compared with his position prior to last autumn. But he is intensely concerned with the entire complex of issues embracing the geographical area of Palestine and its Israeli and Arab components. Therefore, he has a particular background of expertise and one cannot say that, as Kissinger returns to these parts, the king's views glow with excess optimism.

letters

Citizen's Union

Everyone will agree, I'm sure, that the right to withdraw services must be protected. No one should be denied this right. Also, the right to form a union should be universal. Unions are good.

That being the case, I suggest that all presently non-unionized persons form a union to be known as the Free Citizens' Union. Its purpose would be to withdraw all services from strikers. All those on strike would be declared "hot" and would be picketed. Then no member of the FCU would be permitted by its rules to deal with a "hot" person. After all, two can play at any game. So watch it! — D. F. N., Victoria.

Permissive Age

Would someone out there please tell me why the police are allowing a mass picket line to stop by physical force public use of the Johnson Street Bridge? Is it suggested that only CUPE union members can use the roads? What next, I wonder, in this permissive age? Another? — Concerned Taxpayer, Saanichton.

Hate Campaign

I think it is most unfair of certain Esquimalt council members and the media to launch a hate campaign against aldermanic candidates because of their interest in provincial and federal politics. Such interest merely reflects their concern for good government at all levels. I suspect it has nothing to do with political parties. There were no loud cries about Mayor Bryant's affiliation with the Liberal party or the late Alderman Cuthbert's affiliation with the Conservative party. Both men were re-elected (with the help of my vote) because of their genuine interest in the community, their intelligence and experience.

I hope the voters will take a hard look at the platforms of all candidates and judge for themselves which one is best qualified to serve them. It is possible that some council members feel threatened by J. Harley Robertson's years of experience on municipal council in Kitimat, his master's degree in education, his commonsense approach to solving their labor problems, but I suppose the greatest threat of all is that he believes the public should have a say in the zon-

ing and planning of their community. — Alan Robertson, (no relation), 1149 Wychbury Avenue.

60 YEARS AGO

From the Times of March 20, 1915

VANCOUVER — News reached the city this morning of an accident which cost a number of lives at Britannia mine. At Britannia Beach, E. J. Donohue estimated 50 are dead and 15 injured. So far as is known, a snowslide came down at midnight, striking several bunkhouses at the mine, which is more than two miles distant from the beach. Besides the bunkhouses, part of the aerial tramway from the mine to the beach is said to have been carried away. Upwards of a thousand men are employed at the mine.

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Layoffs Mounts In Japan Slump

By DON OBERDORFER

TOKYO — Last Monday morning, most of the other men in the neighborhood were up and out early on their way to work, but Kiyoshi Okamoto had no place to go. Due to slack demand and falling production, the television factory where he has worked for 15 years doesn't need so many people any more.

For three days in January, two days in February and one day so far in March Okamoto-san has been laid off from the job — at 90 per cent of pay.

His employer, the giant Toshiba Company, has instituted such temporary layoffs in 13 of its factories affecting 20,000 fulltime workers — but not a single one has been fired. "Our company will be 100 years old this year and our employment pattern is well-established," explained a Toshiba official. "To discharge workers outright would be unthinkable."

Throughout Japan, some 3,800 companies have instituted or announced temporary layoffs affecting more than 250,000 workers, according to a recent survey. Nearly all the companies are paying 90 per cent wages; some companies are receiving government subsidies to help foot this bill.

Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., the largest of this country's electronics firms, shuts down the production lines in many of its factories every afternoon but pays a full day's salary for the morning's work. In the other half day, Matsushita employees clean up around their factories, take self-improvement courses or join "voluntary cheer groups" to promote sales of the company's products.

Overtime Ends

Overtime work, which was widespread a few months ago, has vanished in many industries. New hiring has been reduced, sub-contractor work diminished, and temporary and part-time employment (mainly of housewives) cut back sharply. Senior staff members and company executives of more than 100 companies have accepted substantial pay cuts.

Despite 13 months of retrogression in mining and manufacturing production, Japan's unemployment rate for December — the latest month of official statistics — was 830,000, some 1.6 per cent of the labor force. This compares with the recent unemployment rate in the United States of 8.2 per cent, in West

Germany of 5.1 per cent and in Britain of 3.3 per cent.

The prime minister's office has forecast that unemployment will climb to about 1.25 million workers by the end of this month, roughly 2.4 per cent.

Japanese analysts argue that the relatively low percentage of "completely unemployed" masks serious problems of underemployment and "disguised unemployment" by people no longer looking for work. However, there is no doubt that Japan's traditional lifetime employment pattern in major companies and the extreme reluctance to fire workers has made this country's unemployment problem far less serious than that afflicting other industrialized nations.

Part of 'Family'

While there is little or no legal restriction on an employer's right to discharge workers, major Japanese firms would have full-scale revaults on their hands if they instituted U.S.-style layoffs. In the Japanese system of consensus, any such harmful action would require the "understanding" and tacit approval of the workers, who are considered a permanent part of the company "family."

When termination of employment cannot be avoided, the terminology is geared to the sensitivity of the problem. In recent days, Nippon Light Metal Company — this country's top aluminum refiner — announced to its labor union the "hope" that about 300 of its 8,300 employees would "voluntarily retire" this spring. The Nankai Electric Railway Company of Osaka asked for the "voluntary retirement" of 1,200 employees, about 15 per cent of its labor force. Such a request is likely to be scaled down substantially, if it is implemented at all.

The central economic decision facing Japan in coming weeks is the annual spring labor bargaining to set wage rates for business and industry. Due to the still-falling output and growing unemployment, the labor-management contest may be more difficult this year than ever before. Many employers are arguing that they can afford little or no pay hike under present circumstances, but labor is pushing for increases up to 30 per cent to compensate for previous and anticipated boosts in living costs.

Washington Post

The Morality of 'Death-by-Choice'

By JOHN DEEDY

(Deedy is managing editor of Commonwealth magazine. He wrote this article for the New York Times.)

problem of suicide. Many philosophical schools, like the Roman Stoics, held the act to be allowable in certain circumstances. One of the most common was infirmity of old age.

Suicide also remained a cultural alternative in pockets of Christianity. As late as the 17th century, in Brittany, incurable sufferers could become indirect suicides by appealing for what was known as the Holy Stone. The family would come together, a religious rite would be performed, then the oldest living relative would drop a heavy stone on the sufferer's head, ending that life.

Under special circumstances, such as to avoid apostasy and preserve virtue, suicide has had an accepted place in official Judaism and Christianity. Catholic theology, for instance, has provided for individuals who committed suicide in order to escape rape. And Jewish tradition honors the defenders of Masada who, in the year 72, slew themselves rather than fall into Roman hands. But in the main, the Jewish and Christian traditions have regarded

suicide over the ages as an abrogation of power — control of life — that belongs exclusively to God, and an offense to society.

Periodically there have been challenges to this rationale. In the early 1600s, John Donne, the English poet and churchman, wrote an apology for the principle of suicide, in which he argues that "the scandalous disease of headlong dying" was not necessarily and essentially sinful.

More recently, Bishop Francis Simon of Indore, India, has argued the licitness of direct suicide in cases where an individual with an important secret would be likely to divulge that secret under torture, causing great harm to a large number of people. Under his logic the United States acts within a defensible moral framework in providing suicide capsules to strategic secret agents, like U-2 pilot Francis Gary Powers. Mr. Powers, of course, declined to use his.

In the past few years, moralists have begun thinking about suicide in the context of modern medical technology, and coming to radical conclusions. One such person is Daniel C. Maguire, formerly of the Catholic University of America and now a professor of theology at Marquette University, a Jesuit institution, in Milwaukee. Maguire rejects

the idea that every form of self-killing is murder; he maintains that it may not be excluded that in some instances, as in a cruel terminal illness, self-killing may be a good moral action.

In similar context did Dr. John C. Bennett, noted Protestant theologian and former president of Union Theological Seminary, say last week of Dr. and Mrs. Van Dusen's suicides that "knowing the circumstances, I think they did the right thing."

Still, it is doubtful that death-by-choice will be established as commonplace soon. A theology of suicide is fragmentary at most, and leadership and decision-making bodies of the principal denominations remain strongly opposed.

What may be developing, however, is a popularization of passive euthanasia. Since 1969, the Euthanasia Society of America has distributed more than a half-million "living wills" — declarations by which persons may indicate that, once in a terminal state, they have no desire to be kept alive by heroic means. "People are more and more frightened by medical advances that just keep people alive," said Mrs. Elizabeth Halsey, executive director of the society. "People who are very old or very ill prefer to die quietly and peacefully — at home."

CEMENT IS A HEAVY BUSINESS

By PETER DEELEY

LONDON — When John Stonehouse, the British runaway Member of Parliament, tried his hand at the cement end of the international commodities market he came sadly unstuck, ruining a \$14 million deal. As with his forays into property, secondary banking and wine, Stonehouse, found in Australia two months ago, was not a successful businessman.

But he was not alone in failing to come to grips with the intrigues which bedevil cement trading on a world-wide scale. Many men have entered this cut-throat and volatile business only to find that their margins of profit are swallowed up by the middlemen — the people they must flatter and bribe in order to set up a deal.

There are enormous profits to be made in selling cement to the developing countries of Africa, the Middle East and Asia. On a 500,000 ton deal a shrewd dealer could clear himself \$60,000. Cement is the commodity by which these nations can prove to the outside

world that they are materially respectable. With cement they can make the concrete for airports, roads, houses, hospitals, schools, public buildings — and prisons.

Stonehouse had become involved in a deal to sell 500,000 tons of Romanian cement to Nigeria before he disappeared in Florida and turned up in Australia. There was the prospect of a \$1.2 million commission for his Imex trading firm. But he was not to know that for every 10 cement contracts that are negotiated, nine are never fulfilled.

Nigeria wanted to build a new army barracks in Lagos and besides Global Imex there were at least another half-dozen trading companies vying for the business. There was Sylvester Okereke, a Nigerian businessman who was accidentally drowned in the River Thames near London on the day Stonehouse set off on his now famous trip to

Miami. And there was William Asturizaga, an American businessman who wanted Okereke to act as consultant on a deal to sell 250,000 tons of cement to Nigeria.

There were also other people with fingers in the same pie. Two Englishmen had set up a 120,000 ton deal with the Nigerians. Like so many others they appear to have underestimated the on-going costs of the operation.

The Nigerians were to pay \$38 per ton but set against that was the buying price of the cement — in Hamburg, Germany — \$35, shipping costs of \$17 and finally \$7.50 per ton commission to a local official for setting up the deal. Simple arithmetic would have told these men that they stood to lose \$1.50 per ton — a total deficit of \$180,000. They, like others, had not learned to take into account the "fixers."

It is these middle-men who

eat into the profits in the cement business. They take their cut for introductory fees, for ensuring that when the ship arrives there is a wharf open to receive it and men to unload it. Without their assistance the path is long and costly.

Experienced cement dealers say that men such as Stonehouse are "minnows in a sea of sharks: they get into something far beyond their capabilities." Reputedly, the Mafia has also gone into the cement industry — a sure sign that there are vast profits to be made. They will ensure their take with violence if necessary. On a small scale there was an incident in Essex in southeast England a few months ago where three men were jailed for beating up an investment consultant after another \$120 million cement deal fell through.

The cement business is still agog with the story of two "minnows" who came up with a contract to sell 500,000 tons to a Middle East country at



JOHN STONEHOUSE . . . done in by intrigues

\$70 per ton. They were to buy the cement at \$35.25 and pay shipping costs of \$29.

But then they found that the middle-man — a local prince — was taking \$8 commission on each ton (and instructing that the cheque be paid into his private Swiss bank account.) As in the Nigerian case they would have ended up losing \$2.25 on each ton.

They had naively hoped to cover themselves by making a profit by carrying return cargoes in the now-empty ships. But, as one broker observed: "There is no business like the empties business in the gulf: no business at all. The only thing coming out of there is oil and you can't put that into dry-bottomed boats."

Washington Post

Should CBC Bow to Blue-Stocking Minority?

By JOHN HIRSCH

(Hirsch is head of TV drama for the CBC. This was written as a letter to the editor of The Globe and Mail.)

follow or to lead in such matters.

Obviously it is not up to CBC to go wildly off into avant garde styles and far-out situations and language, but rather to remain just a few steps ahead of the whole viewing public in such matters.

As a matter of fact, if one looks closely at American programs, it becomes obvious that the Canadian public is willing to accept a great deal more in both language, sex, violence and outright obscenity from such programs than it will from our own.

Few objections are heard concerning Baby Blue movies, for example.

The Canadian viewer is struck by our new programming precisely because he senses that these programs are about himself. In recent years he has become accustomed to a diet of harmless, rather bland material from CBC drama—pieces rich in mild boredom and fake metaphysical significance that were made to be turned off. Vigor and challenge came from American programs and even situation comedies there have tastefully and successfully handled such "difficult" subjects as abortion, homosexuality, wife-swapping, gang-rape, and other purported untouchables.

Now the Canadian viewer suddenly finds himself confronted on our drama programs with an image that is his own. He sees that he is like others. To misquote: When you anger him does he not curse, when you oppress him does he not revolt and when you caress him does he not fornicate?

What amazing discoveries. They are certain to discomfit and startle all of us, for we sometimes forget who we are. Naturally, there is reaction.

The decision seems to me not to be whether a program gets on the air, but what our criteria are. If a drama is of acceptable artistic quality, well done from a technical point of view and it honestly expresses the viewers to themselves, that should be enough reason for us to go with it, to support it.

Obviously programming must not go more than a few steps beyond what viewers are accustomed to. And just

as obviously there must be a very wide range of programming that caters to "the famous all-crime stories, daytime soaps, gentle comedies, serious classic and you name it. All are needed. In other words, we have to

give the viewers not only what they think they want, we have to give them the kind of high quality that the honest, creative artists we are trying to employ know they will want once they try it, and once they get to like it.

There have been a number of letters of protest about some of the recent programming in CBC-TV Drama. It's worth examining the relationship of these letters to the attitude of the viewing public as a whole.

An intensive survey of viewer reaction was commissioned by CBC about Baptizing, the show that drew the greatest number of protests, a drama concerning the sexual awakening of an adolescent girl.

Over two and a half million people watched Baptizing, one of the largest audiences for a drama to date, and about 300,000 over average. Of these more than 84 per cent watched the show through to the end. The enjoyment index for the program was 70 per cent.

The survey also indicated that about 50 per cent of the public found the play particularly enjoyable, while about 20 per cent was very much against it. The polarization of the audience was clear and extreme. Thus public opinion actually forces decision-making back on the corporation.

The CBC has had to decide whether to go with the minority that objects or with the majority which seems ready to accept a greater latitude of subject matter and language, given, of course, that both subject and language are artistically justified and thoroughly motivated.

It is a matter of determining the role of the CBC in the consideration and formation of public taste; that is, whether the corporation is to



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Community News

An annual general meeting of the **VIC WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION** March 24 will be combined with an N.I.P. meeting, the first public one to be held since city council allocated funds in November.

Larry Beres, director of Port Alberni's Eco-Centre, will be there to talk about just what a community centre can do. His Eco-Centre has a wide-range of activities going seven days a week, according to Vic West N.I.P. co-ordinator Kay Woods who hopes the neighborhood will build a community centre with N.I.P. money.

Election of association officers will take place at the meeting to be held in the Dominion Hall, 802 Esquimalt Rd., at 7:30 p.m.

Availability and funding of the Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program will also be discussed and an up-to-date report presented.

View Royal's Centennial Library will receive 200 books awarded in a Canada Council program. A successful application made by the **VIEW ROYAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE** resulted in the library's inclusion in the Council's 1974-75 Book Donation Program.

When the **DOWNTOWN-BLANSHARD ADVISORY COMMITTEE** meets Tuesday it will probably have an answer on possible receipt of a \$60,000 grant from the department of human resources.

Lou Jordison, head of the committee, is hoping for at least part of the grant. The money is earmarked for recreation in the area.

The 7:30 p.m. meeting will be held at 1820 Blanshard.

Annual auction of the **PROSPECT LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION** is still a month away, but start looking through your basements and attics, says spokesman Pat Harkness.

All sorts of items from soup to sinks will be accepted, he said. Goods should be brought to the hall April 25, with the auction the next day. Viewing will occur on the morning of the sale.

Victoria's Holyrood House was packed for the first annual banquet and social evening of the **IRISH-CANADIAN CUL-**

TURAL ASSOCIATION. It took place on St. Patrick's Night this week, with provincial labor minister Bill King the guest of honor.

Dancing leprechaun Darby O'Gill highlighted the entertainment.

A parent-owned and operated pre-school in Gordon Head has room for three-year-olds this September. It's **GORDON HEAD PRE-SCHOOL**, and interested parents should call 477-1660.

Members of the **VICTORIA LOCAL OF NON-STATUS INDIANS** will meet one week early this month to avoid the Easter holiday.

They'll get together at the Indian Friendship Centre, 1292 Gladstone, at 7 p.m., March 22.

Voters in the federal **ESQUIMALT-SANICH RIDING** should note their MP Donald Munro now plans to be in the constituency at a certain time each month to hear problems and exchange views with residents.

Munro will be in town from Ottawa on the first weekend of every month, and appointments can be made by calling the riding office at 658-1012.

Disputes Cost 300,000 Days

REGINA (CP) — Saskatchewan may have lost 300,000 man-days of work last year because of labor disputes but Canada as a whole lost seven million man-days, Labor Minister Gordon Snyder said Tuesday.

"Some people tend to over-dramatize the negative side of labor-management relations," he said.

"It is only fair to point out that 14 million man-days were actually worked by Saskatchewan union members in 1974 and it is exceedingly important to remember too that 300 collective bargaining agreements were signed without a stoppage.

"In the period 1972 through 1974, there were 68 work stoppages, but 1,000 agreements were signed with no dislocation, no lockouts, no strikes."

Wilderness Users Invited To Recreation Conference

More and more people want to use publicly-owned wild-lands for recreation, says Alan Carter, who is conducting a province-wide survey of public outdoor needs on behalf of the Federation of Mountain Clubs.

"Wilderness users are increasing 15 per cent per year, doubling every four and a half years," he said. "The users range from hikers to snow-mobilists."

"People are no longer satisfied with a system which gives logging companies complete control over publicly-owned wilderness areas — the rivers, lakes and mountains," he added. "They want to say

on how some wilderness areas should be used."

Carter will be coordinator at a conference on the recreational uses of wildland at Camosun College Saturday, starting at 9 a.m.

Representatives of all recreational clubs in the city and Duncan are invited to attend and to participate in the discussions.

"I would like to see cyclists represented, as well as owners of trailers and campers," he said. "I have been told there are many horse riders in this area. They should attend too."

He said the conference would not only concentrate on necessary improvements on

the administration of wild-lands, but on protecting certain areas from over-use.

Access to lakes and coastline and the extension of trails in regional districts and on provincial lands and parks would also be discussed, he said.

"We would also like to know the views of clubs on proposed legislation to create a recreational branch within the department of conservation and recreation," he said.

Carter said similar conferences have been held in other parts of the province, and the views of organized recreational and conservation groups would eventually be passed on to the government.

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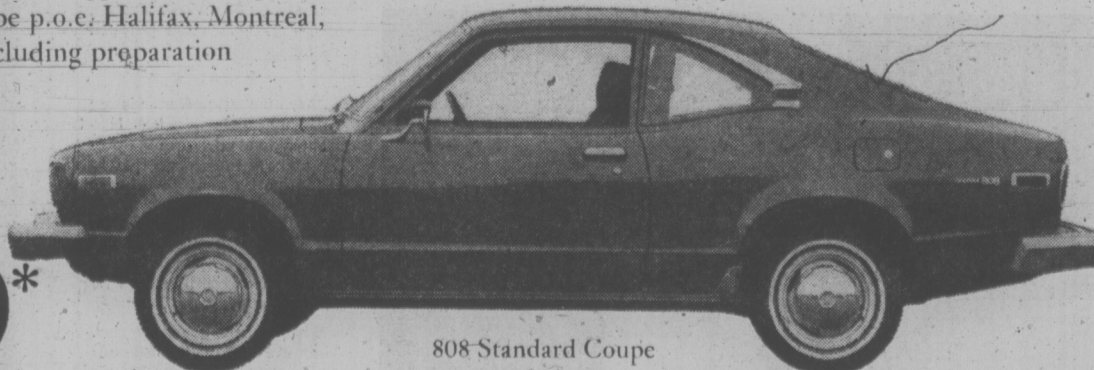


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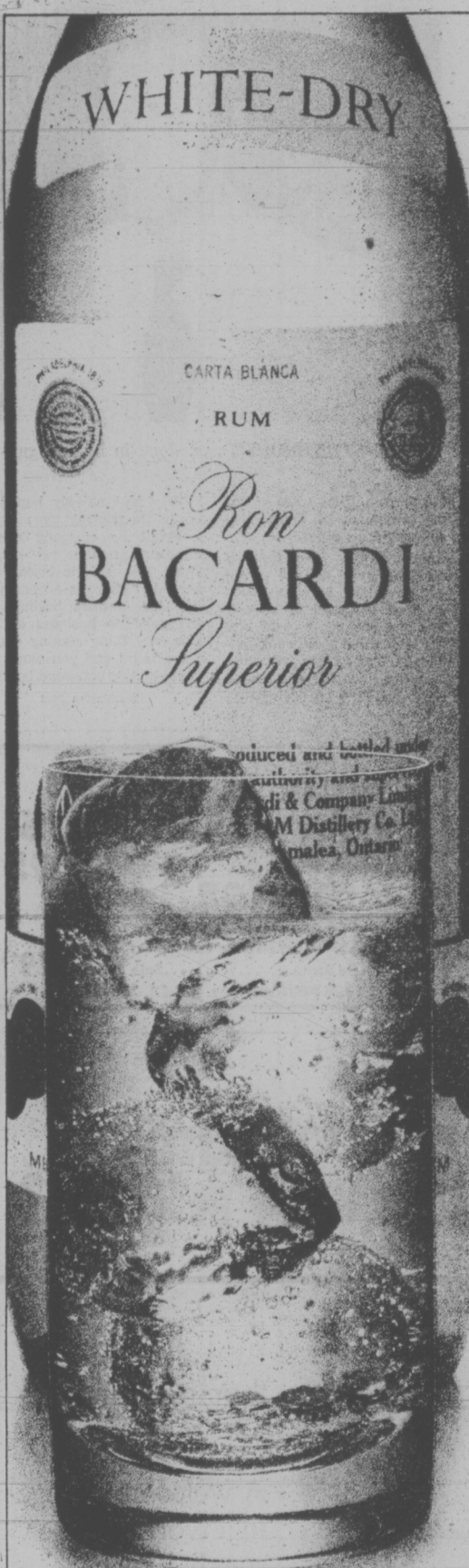
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Bennett Query Quashed On CanCel Share Sales

Premier Barrett Wednesday accused Opposition leader Bill Bennett of "once again not doing his research" in saying the government was indiscreet in recent purchases of CanCel shares.

According to Bennett, the government indicated last August it might be selling some shares in CanCel (of which it then held 79 per cent), subsequently the price of shares decreased and the government has bought an additional 199,000 shares.

Bennett would not say the government purposely misled investors but said it was "indiscreet" of Resources Minister Bob Williams to indicate the government might sell shares. He said a complaint against the government's transaction was made to the Ontario Securities Commission.

But Barrett said Bennett has again been caught with his trousers down.

The Ontario Securities Commission

mission and the Toronto Stock Exchange are aware and completely approve of all the government's transactions, he said.

"He (Bennett) didn't even check with the exchange to see what happened with the complaint," said Barrett.

The government was informed that a complaint had been made by a private citizen in Montreal, said the premier, so it was checked out immediately. It learned the commission was completely satisfied with B.C.'s actions.

"I think it's pretty evident the official opposition does no research whatsoever," said Barrett.

Bennett said Williams was reported in August saying that one way of earning more money for the government-owned Ocean Falls mill might be to sell some shares in CanCel.

That information went out to investors, the price of CanCel shares dropped, and in January the government moved to buy more shares, he said.

Bennett said if the government intends to keep involved in the stock market, a set of guidelines should be set out to ensure the kind of total security which surrounds disclosures of the provincial budget. Strict secrecy must be kept and then full public knowledge of government dealings should be promised when any transaction is complete, he said.

'ICBC HATRED BLINDED MLA'

A "fanatical hatred of ICBC" has blinded Liberal MLA Garde Gardom (Vancouver-Point Grey) from the truth, Transport Minister Bob Strachan said Wednesday.

Strachan said one-third of all automobile accident victims left stranded when private insurance companies opted out of the Traffic Victims Indemnity Fund in 1972 have already been paid by the Insurance Corporation of B.C.

The remainder of claims are still being processed, said Strachan, and it takes time to check out each application.

Gardom said earlier in the legislature that ICBC is not paying out the claims and victims are being told there isn't any money to pay them with.

Legislation brought in last fall requires ICBC to pay out of the government's consolidated revenues all claims of people who were stranded when private firms opted out of the TVIF.

The private companies stopped paying into the fund in anticipation of government car insurance. The fund was designed to pay out claims for people involved in special cases such as hit-and-run accidents.

Gardom, who has made a crusade of fighting for claims for these people, said it has been four months since the legislation was passed and still he knows of severely handicapped people who have not been paid.

Strachan said Gardom has become "sick" over the entire issue and does not know what he is talking about.

Britain Claims Edge on IRA

LONDON (AP) — British defence chiefs said Wednesday they are gradually winning the 5½-year-old battle with the Irish Republican Army and other guerrilla groups in Northern Ireland.

A government white paper, recounting the soldier's role in the strife-torn province, cited figures suggesting a declining level of violence during 1974 and a steady restoration of law and order.

"It has always been the government's aim to obtain a political solution to the problems of Northern Ireland," the white paper said.

"The services will remain in Northern Ireland for as long, and in such strength, as is necessary to achieve this objective."

A major factor in the progress claimed by the Labor government was said to be a careful campaign to combat violence by either the Roman Catholic-based IRA or the Protestant-based Ulster Defence Association and its offshoots.

The document offered a number of statistics to support the government's claim:

Bomb attacks during 1974 averaged 57 monthly compared with 81 in 1973.

Shootings averaged 267

monthly compared with 418 in 1973.

—Altogether, 1,367 arrests, connected with "offences of a terrorist nature," were made last year. Of these 155 were linked with murder or murder attempts.

—About 24 tons of explosives, 150,000 rounds of ammunition and 1,260 firearms were captured.

But there was a reference in the document to the introduction of sophisticated new weapons into the fight.

Sixteen rocket attacks by the IRA Provisionals were recorded with 24 rockets fired. In 16 other encounters, 116 mortar bombs were used against the security forces, often accompanied by small-arms fire.

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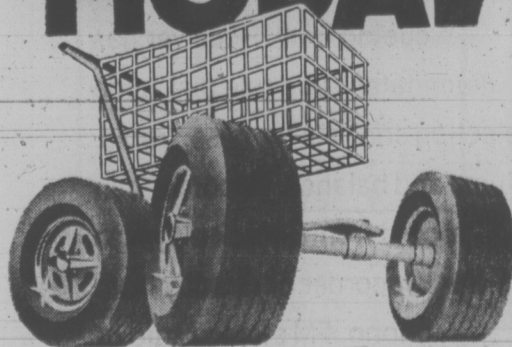
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Can Parents Be Charged?

The legal position of parents who are keeping their children home from school so they won't cross picket lines is as yet uncertain, an education department official said Wednesday.

Superintendent of administrative services Les Canty said it's impossible to say whether a court would hold parents guilty of contravening section 121 of the Public Schools Act in such a case.

There are no legal precedents, he said.

Greater Victoria principals say only a handful of parents appear to be keeping their children at home so they won't have to cross picket lines set up at every school by striking members of Canadian Union of Public Employees local 382.

Most union members continue to let their children attend, the principals said.

Under the Public Schools Act, a parent found guilty of not sending their child to school can be fined \$10 for every school-day the child misses.

The act states that "sickness or any other unavoidable cause" would be considered a good defence for any parents charged with the offence.

Canty said the court would

have to determine whether union solidarity is an unavoidable cause.

He said that before parents are taken to court some person must charge them with the offence, and the consent of the school board or minister of education must be obtained for prosecuting the parents.

Canty added that he hoped such a case would never come up.

TURNER MUM ON BRIBERY

OTTAWA (CP) — Finance Minister John Turner declined comment Wednesday on news stories that said he was mentioned in an RCMP report on alleged bribery in salvage plans for the Irving Whale.

"I'm taking legal advice," Turner told reporters as he left the Commons. "I'm not sure if the innuendo is enough to justify a libel action."

Turner went into the Commons prepared to answer questions on the report but none were asked of him.

School Building Brief Set

The B.C. School Trustees Association will present a brief Monday to Education Minister Eileen Daily asking for a streamlining of the process of getting school building projects approved.

The brief will propose elimination of some of the 51 steps school districts must go through to get construction projects approved, said BCSTA president Eileen Madson in a press release.

"At present it is necessary for a board needing new buildings to go through an incredibly involved and time-consuming exercise," Madson said.

"Much of the procedure was inherited by the present government. It is still in effect."

Impetus to get something done about the 51 steps came originally from the Greater Victoria school board.

Appeal Fails On 'Reckless' Pat Bay Driving

A 24-year-old Victoria bartender was told in county court Tuesday he drove at a "rash and reckless speed" on the Patricia Bay Highway just over a year ago.

Judge William McClelland rejected an appeal by Steven Gandy, 1561 North Dairy, against a conviction for dangerous driving. Police evidence was that Gandy was doing 85 miles an hour just south of Beaver Lake Park.

He rejected a defence suggestion that because the pursuing police car did not always have the speeding car in view that the speeder could have turned off the highway.

To doubt that the pursued car was the one which ended up in a ditch at Vanalman and Patricia Bay Highway was "capricious and fanciful."

Judge McClelland said Gandy was proceeding "at such a reckless speed he could not take precautions" and he found the speed to be about 80 miles an hour.

Someone who drives at such a speed is driving recklessly and without regard to others and Gandy was "undoubtedly guilty of dangerous driving."

Court was told Gandy's car crashed just after rounding a curve at Vanalman, striking an unmarked police car and ignoring a policeman flagging down traffic with a flashlight, and ending up in a drainage ditch eight or 10 feet deep.

Gandy said he had been visiting friends in Sidney and was returning in the early morning of Feb. 2, 1974, in a 1967 Oldsmobile.

He said he was doing "50-55, maybe 60" and hit the brakes and lost control when confronted with the unmarked police car with its headlights on facing him on the side of the road. He saw the vehicle half a mile away but assumed it was on the other side of the road.

"Crown prosecutor" was Gordon Macdonald and defence lawyer was R. I. T. Macdonald.

Israel Weighs Proposals

JERUSALEM (UPI) — The Israeli cabinet met unexpectedly today for the third time in 24 hours to consider proposals to keep alive U.S. Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger's negotiations for a new agreement between Israel and Egypt.

Kissinger twice postponed his departure for his fourth shuttle to Aswan, Egypt, to see President Anwar Sadat and waited to hear the results of the new cabinet meeting.

The cabinet met after Kissinger spent most of the morning conferring with Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and the Israeli negotiators on the results of a previous marathon cabinet session that ended at 2 a.m. in the morning.

Kissinger called the three-hour morning session with the Israeli ministers "good, friendly and constructive."

"I do feel that each side is making a very serious effort to try to take into account the considerations of the other and this is certainly true of the Israeli side," he said upon emerging from the meeting.

The cabinet decisions could be crucial to Kissinger's efforts for an agreement on an Israeli withdrawal from the strategic mountain passes and oil fields in the Sinai desert.

The mission was going more slowly than Kissinger expected and the two sides remained far apart on the main issue of what Egypt will give in return for an Israeli withdrawal.

WARREN DETESTED NIXON

NEW YORK (UPI) — The late U.S. chief justice Earl Warren was quoted Wednesday as having said the former president Nixon was "a cheat, a liar and a crook" who abused the American people.

Writing in the current issue of Esquire Magazine, Alden Whitman, a writer for the New York Times, said that Warren also referred to his successor, Warren Burger, as "a horse's ass."

Whitman said that Warren detested Nixon with "unjudicious vehemence."

According to the article, Warren told Whitman that "Ticky is perhaps the most despicable president this nation has ever

had. He was a cheat, a liar and a crook, and he brought my country, which I love, into disrepute. Even worse than abusing his office he abused the American people."

Whitman said he asked Warren if he thought the Burger court, "with its array of Nixon-appointed judicial midgets, could erase the accomplishments of the Warren court."

He said that Warren replied: "They'll try, that I'm certain, but in the long run the American people won't stand for a court that would take them back to the days when it was possible to ask: 'what's the constitution between friends?'"

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Bad Deal for Victoria Insurance Agents Claim

Victoria drivers are getting a bad deal from Autoplan and should rise up and protest, Insurance Agents Association of B.C. president Jack Hamilton said in Victoria Wednesday.

Victoria motorists have the lowest accident rate in the province and should be paying the lowest price in terms of premiums, he told a luncheon meeting at The Empress sponsored by Victoria Chamber of Commerce.

Instead, the Insurance Corporation of B.C. charges a flat rate across the province.

In effect, Victoria drivers are subsidizing motorists in Penticton and Prince George

who have a poorer driving record, Hamilton said.

Under private enterprise, Victoria rates would be lower than elsewhere in B.C.

"You should protest this situation," he said. "I sure would if I lived in Victoria."

Hamilton, who led a short strike against Autoplan in November, outlined the history of the dispute between the private insurance agents, who work on a commission basis, and the Insurance Corporation of B.C.

He said the provincial government eagerly sought the help of the agents to set up the plan but later, when commission rates were being dis-

cussed, it was almost impossible to reach anyone at the government level to discuss the problem.

"They just ignored us."

The private agents called the first grey flannel strike in Canada, putting up information picket lines around motor-vehicle branches.

They were seeking to renegotiate their two-year contracts to sell insurance under Autoplan but ICBC refused to negotiate.

Later the agents sought to have the matter go to compulsory arbitration but the government argued that only unions could submit questions to compulsory arbitration.

As a result, the agents were forced to call off their strike and they resumed selling car insurance as agents for ICBC.

Hamilton said the agents investigated the possibility of forming a union so they could qualify for compulsory arbitration.

However, he discovered that people licensed to act on behalf of the government are not entitled to form a union.

"So that ended that," he predicted that Autoplan would pile up huge deficits but the total might never be known as the plan is being subsidized out of the gasoline tax.

He said the current operating deficit may be something in the range of \$50 million to \$70 million.

Air Firms Meet Set

Department of transport and communications officials will meet March 26 in Campbell River with owners of local air services, Transport Minister Bob Strachan said.

The meeting has been arranged to discuss problems air carriers face in supplying services to coastal areas of the province, he said in a news release.

A similar meeting will be held in Kamloops April 3 for carriers operating in the interior.

The minister said the meetings were called by his department because local airlines are facing economic problems due to such factors as duplication of licensing by the air transport committee of the Canadian Transport Commission.

Strachan said it is hoped the talks will result in a provincial government brief to the federal government outlining a policy of assistance similar to that available to the larger regional air carriers.

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The city resident says he discovered a diamond engagement ring, which he had appraised Wednesday at about \$700, in a loaf which he bought at a local grocery store.

"I just cut off four or five slices when I found the thing sticking inside the bread," he said.

Now he wants to find the owner of the ring, but that could take some doing. Schaber said he can't identify the bakery which supplied the loaf because he threw the wrapper in the garbage and it was removed before he realized the baker's name could be a clue.

But he can supply a description of the ring, and says its owner can reclaim the item by calling him and making a positive identification.

"I'm not looking for a reward or anything," Schaber said. "I would like to find the owner because, after all, it's a kind of a sacred thing."

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Superscale Problems

EDMONTON (CP) — Canada is facing the task of building superscale projects in little-understood regions during the next decade, says a local consulting engineer.

Dr. Elmer Brooker, president of Engineering Consultants Ltd., told the Northern Alberta branch of the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy Wednesday that the proposed Mackenzie Valley pipeline, the James Bay hydro project and Alberta's oil sands development will all be attempted in areas where the problems of geology and climate are largely beyond the present scope of the engineering profession.

Coal Royalty Hit

LETHBRIDGE (CP) — NDP Leader Grant Notley attacked Alberta's Progressive Conservative government Wednesday night for what he called lack of action in reviewing coal royalties.

"Alberta continues to collect the measly sum of 10 cents per ton for its coal while the companies are getting \$20 to \$30 per ton," he told a rally for the March 26 provincial election.

He said the NDP government in British Columbia is changing coal royalties of \$1.50 per ton and companies are still making money.

Pot Importers Jailed

CALGARY (CP) — Three men from Arizona Wednesday pleaded guilty to charges of smuggling 330 pounds of marijuana into Canada from Montana and were sentenced to seven years' imprisonment each, the minimum sentence under the law.

Gregory Shade, 22, Ruben Sotelo Jr., 23, and Ruben Sotelo Sr., 47, changed their pleas to guilty midway through a two-month preliminary hearing.

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The Towers of the City: All of the Charm Is Gone

On our way to the ferry Sunday night, our Vancouver host, Harry Filion, detoured for a quick tour of the West End and I can't remember when it was so sure that a city had gone appallingly wrong.

If my own attitude seems to harden in the future about highrises and towering apartment complexes — though I'm still not certain in my own mind if it's better to go out than to go up, if you must go at all — I expect that tour will be the reason. I have defended highrises in the past, mainly because I abhor those ugly, three-storeyed apartment blocks, but when you have seen the cliff-dwelling West End, especially when you've not really seen it for several years, it may prejudice you forever against these soaring ledges.

Like James Bay, where we lived briefly when we first elected Victoria as our home, we never knew the West End in the days of its grandeur. When we first moved there it was today's disaster.

In the beginning there were the great homes of the well-to-do, massive, many-roomed with their cupolas and gingerbread and wide porches and hedges, built for big families and the full life. Then, when the well-to-do moved on to Shaughnessy or the fashionable slopes of Kerrisdale, the old homes gradually became rooming houses and boarding houses, identifiable by wooden fire escapes leading to their upper floors. Yet the atmosphere of that part of the city remained substantially unchanged. There was an elegance and a quality of permanence all its own.

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Because we moved to other parts, we were spared watching the indignity of the wrecker's ball levelling these heritages to the past to make way for the concrete monstrosities and the faceless way of life they represent, though we knew it was only a question of time before that would happen.

This is a cycle that seems to occur in every large city — I have seen it myself, in Fort Rouge in Winnipeg, in Roseville in Toronto, in parts of Montreal's Westmount, right here in James Bay. Every district which was once the preserve of the wealthy is eventually inherited by the roomer and boarder and, finally, the apartment dweller.

It is perfectly true, of course, that our loathing for what we saw was fiercer by a nostalgia for the past, that we were repelled not merely by what we saw, but by our memories.

I associate the West End with youth and struggle and the unique companionship of sharing both. It was a place of transition for all ages, but particularly so for young men and women who had made a break with home and family. Now, as Harry drove us about, I looked in vain for that first rooming house where I lived as an assertion of my independence and the power of a \$12 a week paycheck. It had been swallowed up by the reaching growth of steel and cement, gone forever.

That fine old rambling home was much in my mind as we drove through the canyons of the area. Any kind of simple history of the people who had lived in just that one house would make the most massive Thomas Wolfe novel seem a pale essay.

There was, in that old, gracious barn, a constant procession of tenants of all descriptions, the earnest and the ne'er-do-well, the brilliant and the ignorant, the dreamer and the realist, yet bound by the common experience of intense personal conflict with life.

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You could not help but be involved with your neighbors. I remember the hollow-eyed young man down the hall whose saxophone wailed four hours a night, always, it seemed, playing "Ramona." I remember the day the cops came and the discovery that the gentle youth in the next room was a stick-up artist. I remember the soft step on the fire escape as Romeo departed from his rendezvous with the Juliet who lived at the top. The touches for a dollar loan. The Sunday afternoons when the sound of the New York Philharmonic, conducted by Arturo Toscanini, filled the house. The philosophic discussions late into the night, a marriage of big talk and cheap wine. The West End was then not simply a place to live. It was a way of life.

It seems only yesterday when that part of the city possessed an Old World Atmosphere, a feeling of age and the echo of other times that surely had a mellowing effect on all of us. Like Chelsea, for example, the West End had a quality of what we used to call bohemianism, of a great many people jammed in together yet without sacrificing their individualism as it must be sacrificed in the apartment rabbit-warrens of today.

There was no great concern with keeping up with the Jones'. A man might have the blessing of absolute privacy, if that's what he wanted, though he might share the same gabled roof with a dozen others.

When my wife and I were first married we lived in one such room — a room-and-a-half, really, since there was a cupboard that passed as a kitchen. They were the lean years and I've thought since that only in the West End could we have enjoyed those first years without a painful awareness of privation. The park was close by and the beach, as well. We walked under the leafy shade trees in summer and the West End was kind to us, as it has been to so many others.

Almost everybody we saw during Harry's quick tour was young and perhaps, in that sense, the West End has not lost its meaning, but in every other way it seemed to me as impersonal and characterless as a machine.

Speedy Mail Minus Code

By LIZ HUGHES
Times Staff

The word "boycott" placed on the front of an envelope instead of the postal code will insure speedy mail handling in the Victoria post office, a union spokesman said Wednesday.

Stan Darling, spokesman for the 200 Victoria members of the Canadian Union of Postal Workers, said a piece of mail with the postal code on it will be delayed, but the word "boycott" will speed it through the postal system.

CUPW members across Canada have been conducting a boycott of the postal code for some time, but today is a "special push" and postal union members all over Canada are handing out leaflets and bumper stickers asking Canadians to support the boycott.

Leaflets for the Victoria area were delayed in Ottawa but bumper stickers will be distributed. Frank Walden, national CUPW representative for the

Western region, said today the government's automatic and mechanization program in the post office will not work without the use of the postal code.

"We're not against that automation, but we want to be able to negotiate with the post office about technological change."

The Canada Labor Code, which covers such employees as Canadian Broadcasting Corporation workers and airline employees, guarantees unions the right to negotiate about technological change issues, Walden said.

But the Public Service Staff Relations Act, which regulates the postal workers union, does not allow any negotiation on the automation process.

Postal workers across the country voted this week in favor of contract demands that include a 20-hour work week, additional vacation leave, early retirement provisions and the right to negotiate technological change.

PRESSURE PLANNED ON BOTH SIDES Students Moving Into Dispute

By AL KENT
Times Staff

Greater Victoria high school students are on the verge of taking a direct part in the public employee dispute that has cut back school hours for 3½ weeks.

At a meeting Wednesday

with leaders of striking janitors' Local 382, Canadian Union of Public Employees, students from senior secondary schools in District 61 said a petition is circulating to bring pressure on the parties to reach a settlement.

Dan Williams, chairman of

the Inter-High Council of student associations, said if the dispute goes on and students continue to suffer short classroom hours, there could be further action and "soon students intend to get very involved in this."

He and 14 other delegates

from Victoria High, Oak Bay and Mount Douglas secondary schools (others indicated interest but did not appear) asked for the meeting with the school maintenance union, which was represented by Earl Turnquist, vice-president Bob Cunningham and Fred

Newell, a member of the negotiating committee. One girl said the halls in her school were "a pigsty" and complained the school administration gave her the run-around when she tried to organize students to do some cleanup work.

"You walk over the garbage," another girl said.

Cunningham told the group the administration is buck-passing because it fears setting a precedent in which if a student became injured the district might be sued.

"But if you just went ahead and did it I don't know what they could do about it," he said.

Williams said the Inter-High Council was concerned that if the labor minister stepped in to order a settlement of the controversy "the whole thing can break open again" at some later time.

Cunningham said if a binding settlement were imposed the sides would have to adhere to it. But he noted there could be negotiations toward a new contract within nine months, assuming this dispute is settled shortly.

Turnquist cautioned students from the start of the meeting that it was purely for information.

"We're not here to try and brainwash you,"

Students could put pressure on both sides if they wanted to start a petition, he said. It was then the delegates said they had already initiated a petition.

"Wonderful," Turnquist replied. "The public listens to students a lot more than people think they do. We know, the minister of education knows that you people are the leaders of tomorrow."

He urged copies of the petition get into the hands of every principal and every member of the board of trustees.

Students pointed out they are the victims of the shortened school day; that the university won't take into consideration the fact they have had less instruction than they should when it comes time to apply for university entrance.

"I'm not here to tell you the union has been 100 per cent right," Turnquist said. "We have made it known the unions are prepared to sit down around the clock to reach a settlement."

Cunningham said the school board is using the students and saying that janitors are "responsible for your education."

Janitors had differed with the board and teachers in that they saw no reason why the students could not get a full day's instruction.

If the schools get dirty, the health board will close them down, a student observed. Another said students had been told if they did their own cleaning, the teachers would refuse to work.

Cunningham said that was ridiculous because volunteers were already cleaning and teachers were still reporting for duty.

Purpose of the mass picketing tactic was to draw public attention and pressure for serious negotiations," Cunningham said. He also said it was membership frustration over negotiating delays that led to the strike in the first place, when members rejected an executive recommendation to stay on the job.

"If we'd had a secret ballot I think we'd still be on the job," he said, referring to the meeting that voted 180-31 to go on strike Feb. 24.

He said the local had offered to accept a \$5.35-an-hour base rate for janitors, which would have brought agreement although the figure had been rejected by city of Victoria janitors, but the board was willing to go only to \$5.20 an hour. Meanwhile, the area bargaining concept was introduced and both sides are bound to it.

"If we could go back to individual bargaining I think we could come to an agreement," Cunningham said.

Longer School Day Has Key Question

Parent volunteers will probably have to be issued keys to schools if the school day is to be extended to five hours, Greater Victoria school board chairman Bill Ross said today.

"This may well be the direction we have to move," Ross said.

Final decision on whether to extend the school day from two or three to five hours will be taken after board officials meet today with district principals and later with government officials, he said.

Keeping the schools clean will be a major factor in keeping the schools open morning and afternoon, and parent volunteers would be needed to do the cleaning.

Several hundred parents have already volunteered to clean the schools in the afternoons, but with afternoon classes, the cleaning would probably have to be done in the evening.

The school board knows that B.C. Teachers' Federation policy states that a teacher need not assist or work beside strikebreakers or volunteer labor during a dispute.

Ross said the board has been reluctant to give school keys to parent volunteers for security reasons, but there comes a point when educational factors outweigh security risks.

The board has had two weeks to get to know the parents co-ordinating the volunteer effort in each school, he said, and they could possibly be issued keys to open the schools in the evenings.

Ross said the obstacles to a five-hour opening are still rather severe, but several factors in the last few days have made it more feasible.

He has had a report that automatic heating plants in some 40 schools are in good working order.

Also, warmer weather in the last week has made temperatures in poorly-heated schools a little more bearable, he said.

Mavis De Girolamo, president of the Greater Victoria Teachers' Association, said today teachers remain divided on the question of whether they should teach alongside volunteers cleaning the schools.

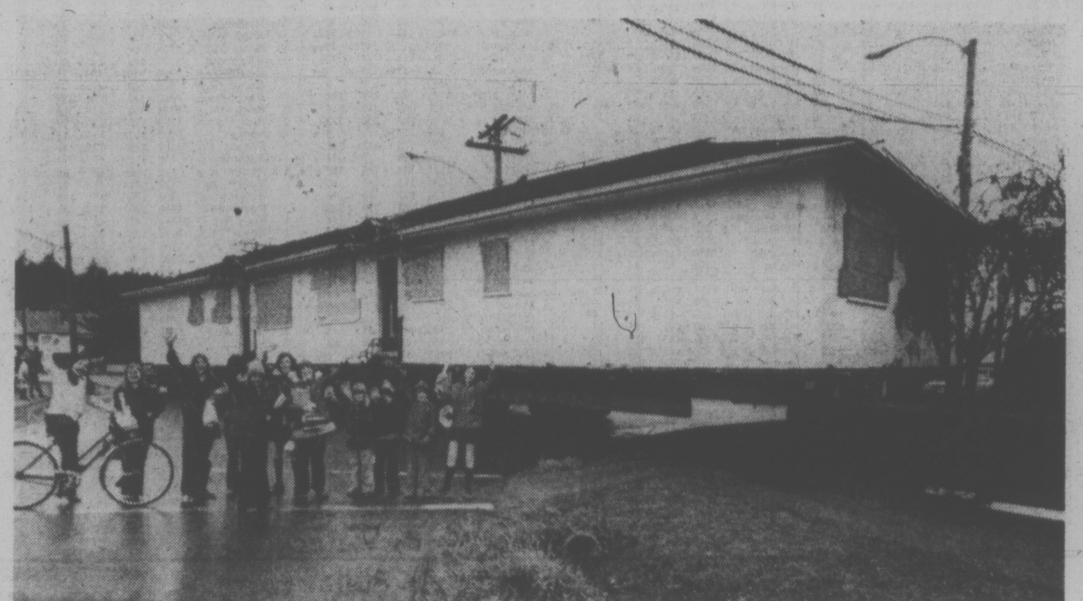
Some teachers and principals refuse to work while the volunteers are in the schools, she said, but others are willing to continue provided the volunteers don't enter their classroom.

De Girolamo said she thought most teachers would strongly oppose use of parent volunteers to clean schools in order to keep classes going five hours a day.

Yet there are a few who feel just as strongly that the five-hour school day should be started again, she added.

School district janitors and maintenance workers, members of Canadian Union of Public Employees local 382, have been on strike four weeks.

The school board first cut classes back to one hour a day, then increased them to three hours in schools that were warm enough.



TURNING THE CORNER at Burnside and Marlborough today for crew moving this duplex produced impromptu roadblock which fascinated children. There just wasn't enough room so Sea-Land House

Moving and Demolition Co. had to jack trailer to swing load. Building was moved from Cook and Oscar where an apartment is being built. (Bill Halkett photo)

SPCA Fee High?

Victoria's finance committee today asked the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals to explain why the organization wants a \$20,000 increase this year to operate the city's animal pound.

For the last two years the fee has been \$23,000 but for 1975 the SPCA has asked the city to raise the figure to \$43,259.

Committee chairman Ald. Alf Hood told aldermen he had met with SPCA officials and made a counter-offer of \$27,500 — a 20 per cent increase — but this was flatly rejected.

"They say they are operating at a loss as far as the pound service is concerned and they are not prepared to continue on that basis," said Hood.

"In fact, the provincial body is seriously considering getting out of the pound business right across the province."

If that happens, he said, consideration will have to be given to operating a pound service either jointly by the four core municipalities or through the regional district system.

Meanwhile, the city should think about revising its schedule of fees and penalties in an effort to reduce costs.

Officials were instructed to seek clarification from SPCA manager Dave Beeching.

Visitor's Sightseeing Mostly Walls of Jail

Ramesh Singh came to Canada to see the sights Wednesday but after five frantic hours only ended up seeing the walls of the Victoria police jail.

Later today, it is expected he will be deported back to the U.S. An immigration hearing was scheduled for 3 p.m.

Singh, who arrived on the noon PWA flight from Seattle, aroused the suspicion of immigration officials at Victoria International Airport.

They were arranging for a special inquiry officer and interpreter to come to the airport. But the 23-year-old East Indian seaman, who had been left sitting in a waiting room just outside the office door, disappeared.

A search of the airport proved fruitless and police were alerted.

Sidney RCMP subsequently learned a slightly-built man matching Singh's description

had hailed a C and C cab at the airport. He had originally asked to be taken to the bus depot, and while in the cab discussed in broken English where he could find a good restaurant. At Vanalman he said he wanted to get out, and walked away.

Police and immigration officials combed the area. Shortly after 6 p.m. Saanich police received a tip the man had phoned for a Royal Oak cab from a service station.

Police stopped the cab on Garbally Road where Singh was taken into custody and transported to Victoria police cells.

Doug Cook, head of Vancouver Island immigration, said Singh had been wandering through Europe for some years and then turned up in New York last November ostensibly to take a job on a ship.

However, he never showed up at the ship and in Febru-

ary was picked up by the U.S. border patrol in California.

An immigration hearing was held in San Francisco. Singh was ordered to leave the country within 30 days upon posting a \$1,000 cash bond.

He apparently travelled to Seattle and on the final day of his allowed stay in the U.S. caught a plane for Victoria.

Cook said if Singh is found to be an ineligible visitor to Canada, he will be returned to Seattle.

DEEPSEA SHIPS

NAVY

Mackenzie, Qu'Appelle and Saskatchewan at sea, returning May 8; Provider, Terra Nova, Restigouche and Kootenay at sea, returning June 4; all other ships in port.

Woman Strangled—Jury

Kathleen Arden, 78, of Langford, found dead last Nov. 30, was murdered by person or persons unknown, a coroner's jury ruled Wednesday.

She was discovered by her daughter, Mrs. Valentine Rowe, 1171 Colville, who received a telephone call from her stepfather, Walter Arden, asking her to come to the mobile home park at Langford where the elderly couple lived.

Mrs. Arden was found lying on the kitchen floor with a towel wrapped around her neck which was tied with a single knot.

Her husband was found unconscious, locked in the bathroom.

He told the jury he had risen at 8:30 that day, had breakfast with his wife, but then could not remember anything else until he woke up in Royal Jubilee Hospital.

Testimony from members of the family revealed Mrs. Arden was in the habit of wrapping a towel or other apparel around her neck to give her relief from arthritis of the spine.

The pathologist at Royal Jubilee said cause of death was strangulation.

Schools to Close 6 Days at Easter

British Columbia's public schools will be closed for six days from Friday, March 28 to Friday, April 4 inclusive, Education Minister Eileen Daily said Wednesday.

She said Good Friday, March 28, and Easter Monday, March 31 are statutory

holidays and the remaining four days constitute the balance of the annual spring vacation.

The school year will end for pupils on June 26 and for teachers on June 27, she said. The calendar for the 1975-76 school year shows schools opening on September 3.

Charge Laid In Stabbing

A 44-year-old woman was charged in Victoria provincial court today with assault with intent to wound, stemming from a stabbing incident at a James Bay residence March 12.

Antoinette Bear of 509 Simcoe was remanded to Friday for election of trial method and plea.

Victoria police said Lavern Bird, 45, address not known, received five stab wounds to his back and shoulder in the incident. He was taken to Victoria General Hospital and discharged on Tuesday.

Degree for Nurseryman

Internationally-known nurseryman Edmund Herman Lohbrunner of Victoria will be one of two persons receiving honorary degrees at the University of Victoria's May 31 convocation.

Lohbrunner, 70, who has lived in Victoria all his life and owns Lohbrunner Nursery, is a recognized authority on alpine rock and garden plants.

He was the first Canadian to win the American Rock Garden Society's prestigious Marcel Le Pinie award, and has introduced numerous na-

tive plants of Australia and New Zealand to North America.

Lohbrunner shared in bringing the first live plants from north of the Arctic Circle when he and his brother traveled the Yukon River in 1936 and collected nearly 20,000 garden varieties.

In subsequent years he has collected extensively on this continent, in Japan and in the Alps. He plans to revisit the Alps despite poor health and failing vision.

Instrumental in the formation of the Thetis Park Nature

Sanctuary, he is active in many local garden and conservation groups.

The second honorary degree will go to nuclear physicist Dr. Wilfrid Bennett Lewis of Queen's University in Kingston.

Lewis, 66, has done atomic research in Britain and served as director and senior vice-president of Canada's National research Council division of Atomic Energy Research.

The Uvic degree will be the 10th honorary one bestowed on Lewis.



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Cadillac Fairview Corp. 60¢-per cent first record March 31, 60¢ cents March 15, record March 17.

Canadian General Stores Ltd., class A, 4¢, class B, 15¢ cents, both payable April 1, record March 31.

Central Food of Canada, class A, 40¢, class B, 15¢ cents, both payable March 31, record March 17.

Chrysler Canada Ltd. 75¢ cents, March 31, record March 17.

Imperial Oil Ltd. 50¢ semi-annual, May 1, record April 10.

Simon Group Ltd., three cents, April 1, record March 20.

Hemisphere Fund Inc., income 10¢, 15¢ semi-annual, May 1, record April 24.

Hudson's Bay Co. 30¢ cents, semi-annual, April 17, record March 15.

International Mogul Mines Ltd., six-cent first, 30¢ series A, 30¢ cents, April 1, record March 15.

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Levy Industries Ltd., 6½ per cent class A pfd., 18 cents, March 31, record March 1.

Loanstar Corp., 20 cents, April 1, record March 18.

Mallinckrodt Inc., 40 cents pfd., 15 cents, April 1, record March 17.

Metropolitan Life Ins. Co., 100 cents U.S. funds, May 16, record May 1.

National Cash Register Co., 40¢, 6½ per cent pfd., \$146, March 31, record March 21; payment of arrears covering three quarterly payments for June 30, Sept. 30 and Dec. 31, 1934, 1935.

Nicklaus Wire Weaving Co. Ltd., 20 cents, 1934 dividends, 1935 dividends payable April 1, record March 17.

Packaging Materials Corp., 35 cents, five cents pfd., 31, record March 17.

Ronalds-Federated Ltd., 20 cents, March 27, record March 14.

Sand Minerals Corp., 35 cents, U.S. funds, March 21, record March 17.

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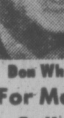
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It's Time for Island League To Listen to Out-of-Towners

Big clubs in Victoria continue to pull the strings in the Vancouver Island Soccer League — and some of the out-of-towners aren't too happy about it.

Particularly upset about the latest soccer puppet show are the officials and players of Nanaimo City.

Because of work problems, Nanaimo has always had difficulty fielding a team on Saturdays. Island League matches used to be all on Sundays but now the league usually has one Premier Division feature match on Saturday to get a crowd at Royal Athletic Park. Nanaimo agreed to go along with this arrangement as it was designed to help boost the league.

Two weekends ago, however, Nanaimo's vital game with Premier Division-leading London Boxing Club was switched to Topaz Park as Athletic Park was unavailable because of the CUPE strike.

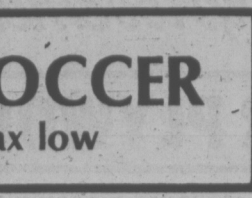
Nanaimo president Tom Forrester Sr. phoned the league scheduler and asked if the game could be changed to Sunday. He was told that "yes, it most likely could."

Forrester told his boys they were playing Sunday but late on Friday night the league phoned back to say the game had to go ahead Saturday, and Nanaimo had to default.

At Topaz Park, Boxing Club officials had to turn the stream of cars away and blame the lack of a game on Nanaimo. And once more the



RAY CLARKE
... Nanaimo boy



TOM FORRESTER
... angry with league

league, which wanted so much to replace the Mainland-based B.C. League as the big boy of soccer here, has revealed itself as a Mickey Mouse operation.

"We can't see any point in forcing us to play on a Saturday instead of Sunday if it's

only an open park involved," says Forrester.

And neither can I. And unless the league stops pandering to clubs like London Boxing Club, Gorge, Molsons and Victoria West, fans here are never going to take the organization seriously.

The Island League, despite all the forecasting, has never drawn the numbers of fans that the Coast League or the B.C. League did and unless it shows it is seriously concerned with all clubs on the Island and with the improvement of soccer as a whole, it never will.

The vast improvement of Nanaimo City this season is part of a success story that goes back a long way.

Nanaimo won the Connaught Cup for the Canadian club championship in 1923 and again in 1927 but the club died when coal mining in the area faded out.

City was reborn for a little while just after the Second World War, when Forrester played, but there wasn't enough support and it died again.

Forrester, together with his son Tom and with Ross Emery, resurrected Nanaimo City in 1970 and now, with well-known players like Ray Telford, Ike MacKay and Forrester Jr., once the leading Coast League scorer, it is one of the strongest teams on the Island.

Forrester Sr., now club president, manager "Joe" is proud that most of the players are local boys.

Winger Ray Clarke, who fired three goals Sunday when City shocked Vic West 4-2, is "a Nanaimo boy," says Forrester, "and that's where our strength is."

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Leeds Reaches Cup Semi-Final

Times News Services

Leeds United, on a 75th minute goal by Bremner, edged Belgium's TSC Anderlecht, 1-0, Wednesday to advance to the semi-finals in European Cup soccer competition, on a 4-0 aggregate.

Also in the fourth are Bayern Munich of West Germany which lost 0-1 away but eliminated Arsenal 2-1 of the Soviet Union, 2-1 on aggregate; St. Etienne of France, 4-3 aggregate winners over Rich Chorzow of Poland; and Barcelona which eliminated the Swedes last week.

In the Cup Winners Cup, Red Star of Belgrade ousted Real Madrid of Spain on penalty kicks after the quarter-final series ended at 2-2; Eintracht of The Netherlands, which defeated Benfica of Portugal, 2-1, after a scoreless first game; Ferencváros of Hungary, held to a 1-1 tie by Malmö FF of Sweden but 4-2 aggregate winners; and Dinamo Kiev of the Soviet Union, which defeated Bursaspor of Turkey, 2-0, for a 3-4 aggregate victory.

In UEFA second-leg, quarter-final action, Juventus

Turin of Italy, Borussia Mönchengladbach and FC Cologne, both of West Germany, and Twente Enschede of The Netherlands advanced to the semi-finals.

Juventus tied SV Hamburger of West Germany, 0-0, but won by 2-0 on aggregate; Borussia beat Banik Ostrava of Czechoslovakia, 3-1, for an overall total of 4-1; Twente blanked Velez Mostar of Yugoslavia, 2-0, to win 2-1 on aggregate; and Cologne nipped FC Amsterdam of The Netherlands, 3-2, for a series margin of 8-3.

In English League first-division play, Liverpool and Leicester played to a 1-1 draw while Carlisle edged Manchester City, 2-1.

Complete United Kingdom results:

ENGLISH LEAGUE

Division I
Leicester 1, Liverpool 1
Aston Villa 2, Carlisle 2
Division III
Aldershot 2, Hereford 2
Blackburn 1, Grimsby 1
Sheff. Wed. 1, Southend 1
Walsley 1, Colchester 2

Division IV
Chester 4, Lincoln 1
Crewe 6, Bradford 0

SCOTTISH LEAGUE
Division I
Dundee U.S. 2, Arbroath 1
Hibernian 4, Ayr 0

Division II
Forfar 0, Hamilton 2

Toyota vs. Peninsula Lions, Henderson Park, Gorge FC, Head Cosmos, Colquhoun Junior High.

DIVISION IV "B" (District Cup playoff) — Lanford Legion No. 91 vs. Prospect Lake, Leas, Royal Roads; Lake Hill Paragon Music vs. Cadboro Bay Raiders, Cedar Hill Junior High.

DIVISION V "C" (District Cup playoff) — Peninsula Tigers vs. Evening Optimists, Airport Park; Gorge Canadians vs. Esquimalt Club 44, Spectrum Community School.

DIVISION V "A" (District Cup playoff) — Lake Hill Victoria Celebration vs. Evening Optimists, Chinooks, Lake Hill Victoria Celebration vs. Cadboro Bay Raiders, Sider Elementary.

DIVISION VII (Section II, District Cup playoff) — Evening Optimists Rovers vs. Gorge FC, Lansdowne Junior High, Oak Bay Optimist, Green's, Esquimalt Legion, Windsor Park.

DIVISION IX (League championship playoff) — Prospect Lake Red Star vs. Lake Hill Jadredo Construction, Pemberton Park.

DIVISION IX (Section I, District Cup playoff) — Gorge FC, Lansdowne Junior High, Oak Bay Optimist, Green's, Esquimalt Legion, Windsor Park.

DIVISION VI "B" (District Cup playoff) — Pelias Construction vs. Peninsula Falcons, Belmont-Fisher High, Cordova Bay Cougars vs. Victoria Boys' Club, Lochside Park (No. 1).

DIVISION VI "C" (District Cup playoff) — Evening Optimists vs. Esquimalt Heat, Market, Lansdowne Junior High; Cordova Bay Eagles vs. Cadboro Bay Buccaneers, Layritz Park.

DIVISION VII "A" (District Cup playoff) — Gordon Head Eagles vs. Oak Bay Blues, Lambrick Park (No. 2); Victoria Boys' Club vs. Lake Hill MacKenzie Esso, Central Junior High.

DIVISION VII "B" (District Cup playoff) — Cadboro Bay Vikings vs. Gordon Head Copen Jewellers, Henderson Park; Evening Optimist Blues vs. Prospect Lake Rangers, Centennial Park.

DIVISION VII "C" (District Cup playoff) — Cordova Bay Hawks vs. Gorge Canadians, Lochside Park (No. 2); Sooka Checkers vs. Langford Building Supply (West), John Muir School.

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First Period
Montreal, Lemaire (31) (Cour-nover, Savard) 12:38.
Penalties: Lefleur (M) 7:20; Vadnais (B) 10:45; Aubrey (M) 19:01.

Second Period
Montreal, Lambert (29) (Rise-brough, Tremblay) 16:24.
Penalty: Gaherty (M) 1:58.

Third Period
Boston, Schmalz (19) (Nowak) 1:30.
Penalty: Marcotte (B) 4:30.
Stops: Broderick (B) 6 9 9-24
Attendance: 16,226.

VANCOUVER 5, NY RANGERS 3
First Period
1. Rangers, Vickers (31) (Middleton, Ratella) 7:40.
Penalties: Bednarski (R) 5:15; Smith (V) 7:04; Bednarski (R) 11:29; Marotte (V) 11:55; Boddy (V) 18:27.

Second Period
2. Rangers, Vickers (32) (Middleton, Ratella) 0:34.
Penalty: O'Flaherty (V) 16:13.

Third Period
3. Rangers, Butler (14) 18:29.
Penalty: Greschner (R) 19:42.
Stops by: Smith (V) 9 7 13-29
Giacomini (R) 4 7 7-18
Attendance: 17,500.

PITTSBURGH 3, CALIF. 3
First Period
California, Moxey (41) (Simmer) 6:38.
Pittsburgh, Laframboise (91) (McManis) 10:40; Larouche (27) (Kelly, Burrows) 15:13.
Penalties: Campbell (P) 12:26; Stachouse (P) 18:35; Schock (P) (miscellaneous) 19:46.

Second Period
4. California, Weir (17) (Williamson, Fries) 17:34.
5. Pittsburgh, Kelly (24) (Aranson, Larouche) 17:55.
6. California, Simmer (7) (Gardner) 19:44.

Penalties: Lavender (C) 4:39; Aranson (P) 4:50; McManis (P) 16:13; Partridge (P) 18:35; Schock (P) (miscellaneous) 19:46.

Third Period
No scoring.
Penalties: Campbell (P) (major, misconduct and game misconduct); Greig (C) (minor, major, misconduct and game misconduct); California bench 2:27.

Stops by: Plante (P) 13 14 15-42
Melchior (C) 7 16 10-33
Attendance: 3,515.

NY ISLANDERS 3, KANSAS CITY 1
First Period
New York, Westfall (20) (Parise) 3:53.
Penalty: Gillies (NY) 7:39.

Second Period
New York, Harris (24) (Bourne) 14:33.
Penalties: McElmury (K) 2:43; Westfall (NY) 10:29; Lewis (NY) 17:47.

Third Period
3. Kansas City, Houde (2) (Powis, Paley) 1:28.
New York, Parise (21) (Westfall) 19:52.
Penalties: Marshall (NY) 0:55; Burns (KC) 4:14; Hart (NY) 7:17.

Stops: Smith (NP) 9 14 7-30
Herron (KC) 12 5 9-26
Attendance: 7,732.

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BOWLER OF WEEK

Capturing Times Bowler-of-the-Week honors, for first time, Barbara Gard fired 269-284-288-851 series in Tuesday Breakfast League at Town and Country Lanes to win women's weekly fivepin award in 22nd week of contest.

Calgary Curlers Bump Mixed Lead

KITCHENER (CP) — Les Rowland's rink from Calgary won its seventh game in eight starts Wednesday night to take a two-game lead in the Canadian mixed curling championship with three rounds remaining.

Rowland made a perfect take out shot with his last rock to score two in the 10th end as Alberta defeated Bob Dillon's Prince Edward Island rink from Charlottetown, 6-4.

Ontario defeated New Brunswick, 5-3, Wednesday night after coming up with a 3-2 win over Andre Emond's Quebec rink from Montreal in seventh-round play.

In other eighth-round action, Rick Folk's Saskatchewan rink from Saskatoon topped Manitoba's Larry Taylor of Brandon, 5-3; Jaime Block of Abbotsford led his British Columbia side to an 8-3 triumph over Les Bowering's Newfoundland foursome from St. John's, the Territories, led by Bill Melnyk of Yellowknife, dumped Quebec, 7-4, and Harry Stevenson of Sydney led his Nova Scotia

PERTH, Scotland (CP) — Canada gained a share of the lead in the world curling championships Wednesday after a wild shot on heavy ice by third Rick Lang provided a victory over West Germany.

"Just a wild shot," said Lang of his last rock in the 10th end Wednesday night. The shot edged into the button for what proved the decisive counter in a 4-2 Canadian victory.

"After my first shot came up 10 feet short of where I expected it, we decided I'd have to throw take out weight with my second if we hoped

even to get the rings," said the Canadian third.

Despite the heavy weight, the stone swung at least six feet and drew into the button with backing on a German, stone. With only skip rocks to go, Lang's shot ensured the Canadian win when German skip Klaus Kanz missed both his attempts on ice that became tricky during the last three ends of the match.

The Canadians, skipped by Bill Tetley of Thunder Bay, Ont., now share top place with Otto Daniell of Switzerland. Each has a 4-1 won-lost record.

Grouped at 3-2 are Alex Torrance of Scotland, Axel Kamp of Sweden, Andre Trone of France and Ed Risling of the United States.

At 2-3 are Germany and Helmar Strombo of Norway with Jon Kjaerulf of Denmark at 1-4, and Italy's Giuseppe Dal Molin, 0-5 after two last rock misses in both his rink's games Wednesday that allowed the opposition to steal victories.

The round-robin series ends Friday afternoon with the semi-finals set for Saturday and the final Sunday at 11 a.m. PST with national television coverage in Canada on the CBC network.

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Canada	4	1
Switzerland	4	2
Scotland	3	2
Sweden	3	2
France	3	2
U.S.	3	3
Germany	2	3
Norway	2	3
Denmark	1	4
Italy	0	5

FOURTH ROUND

Canada 9, Sweden 7;
Scotland 5, Switzerland 3;
Norway 7, France 5;
Germany 8, Denmark 5;
U.S. 6, Italy 7.

FIFTH ROUND

Canada 4, Germany 2;
Switzerland 11, Denmark 2;
France 5, Italy 3;
U.S. 6, Scotland 5;
Sweden 11, Norway 9.

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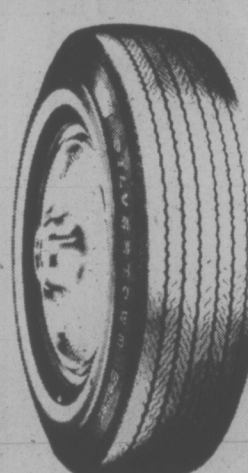
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SECOND FIGURE: Chris Holding, VFSC.

THIRD FIGURE: Roberta Leckie, Esquimalt.

FOURTH FIGURE: Karen Haslam, VFSC.

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BRONZE FREE SKATE: Kathy Sweetney, Esquimalt; Tanya Curtis, RCV; Sherri Dickinson, VFSC.

WESTERN INTERNATIONAL Spokane 4, Trail 1 (Spokane leads best-of-seven semi-final 2-0).

B.C. JUNIOR LEAGUE Bellingham 5, Nanaimo 4 (Bellingham leads best-of-seven semi-final 3-2).

AMERICAN LEAGUE Kelowna 7, Vernon 3 (Kelowna leads best-of-seven semi-final 3-0).

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By The Associated Press
Cleveland Indians didn't play a game Wednesday but they were the talk-around baseball's spring training circuit. Cleveland manager Frank Robinson used the off day to take his Indians "over the fundamental mistakes we've been making." He also talked to George Hendrick about the

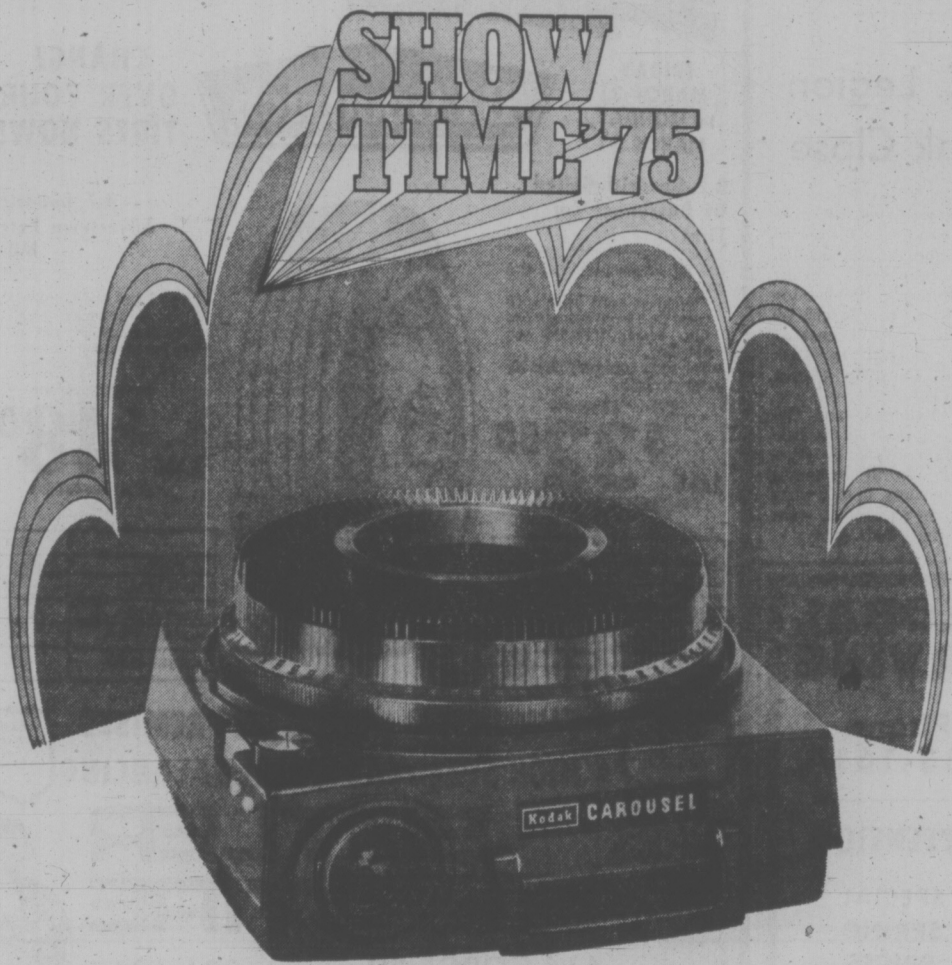
centre fielder's failure to run full speed on a double in Tuesday's 10-inning 5-4 loss. "George's explanation satisfied me," the rookie manager said. "He said he thought the ball left the park for a home run." Ferguson Jenkins pitched four scoreless innings and Texas scored three runs in

the fourth inning as the Rangers defeated Houston. Jenkins was touched for only three hits while striking out four.
Los Angeles 4, Montreal 3.
Cincinnati 1, New York (N) 0.
Philadelphia 5, Boston 4.
Detroit 11, Kansas City 10.
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Her captain, Vic Di Castri, admits he feels like a waterborne curator as he handles the Brunette, towing barges and scows carrying logs and other raw materials to mills and others carrying the finished products to deepsea freighters.

The wooden-hulled "steam-pot" was a wood and coal burner before her conversion to an oil-fired engine in the 1930s.

Di Castri bought her 14 years ago and swears she can do 11 knots, turn on a dime and outmanoeuvre any steel-hulled tug designed to do the same chores.

"I can do things and get into places with this boat that I couldn't possibly tackle in a steel-hulled boat," he said.

"She gets right down in the water and she pulls."

The Brunette's planked decks are permanently tattooed by the spikes of a thousand pairs of calked boots. She glistens from bow to stern with a comfortable sheen of oil and grit.

Her skippers have been legendary, one of the most well-known being Capt. A. C. "Simmy" Simpson, now 74 and retired in Vancouver.

Simpson said the Brunette was a lucky boat for all her skippers. As far as he knows she was only sunk once and that was the fault of her skipper.

That was about the turn of the century. The worse for rum, the Brunette's skipper tried to run up the inside of some pilings in the Fraser River. Instead, he holed her on an island. She went down in shallow water.

Rescuers arrived to find the captain snoring in his bunk just above the waterline, a huge log piling jutting into the wheelhouse just above his head.



Thailand to Cancel U.S. Firm's Mine Deal

WASHINGTON (WP) — Thailand's new government has announced that it is cancelling a \$20 million tin mining concession shared by the Union Carbide Corp., charging that it was obtained through "corrupt methods" from the former military regime.

The state department said the United States government and Union Carbide attempted to forestall the Thai action and have been supplied with "no evidence" of the alleged "illegal action."

This step by the new government of Premier Kukrit Pramoj follows a decision to seek the withdrawal of all remaining 25,000 U.S. troops from Thailand within a year.

The action is seen by experts as further evidence of growing Thai nationalism, plus a reaction against deals made by the military regime which worked closely with the United States for decades.

Union Carbide, which operates worldwide, in 1968 formed a joint venture with a

Thai firm, the Burapa Co., to mine and smelt tin in the shallow waters off Thailand's shores. According to Thai sources, Burapa was largely controlled by Field Marshal Sarit Thanarat, Prime Minister Thanom Kittikachorn (overthrown in Thailand's 1973 coup) and Interior Minister Praphat Charusathien, known as the strongman of Thailand.

In 1970, according to the state department, the Thai interests in the venture were

sold to a Dutch firm, Billiton, in a combination operating as the Thailand Exploration and Mining Co. Last fall, Thai student activists began campaigning against the company, charging that corruption was involved in the disposition of Thailand's natural resources.

'WHY NOT' A HOAX

REGINA (CP) — The federal government's Why Not campaign for International Women's Year is no more than "a big hoax" designed to distract attention from exploitation of women in the work force, says Madeleine Parent, secretary-treasurer of the Canadian Textile and Chemical Union.

She told an audience of 100 at University

of Regina that the campaign concentrates on selling the idea that any working woman can be successful rather than studying the problems women face and trying to solve them.

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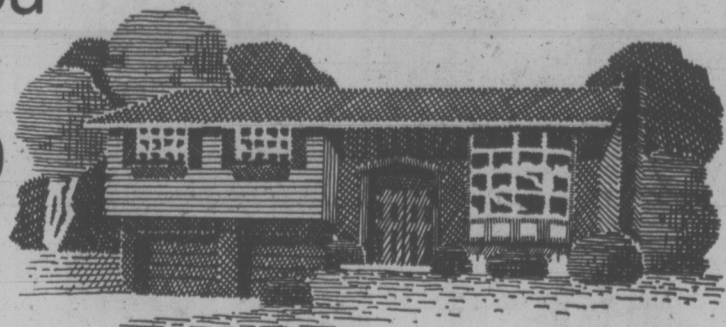
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TOUGH LIFE IN EMBASSIES?

OTTAWA (CP) — A Progressive Conservative backbencher who spent 25 years in the diplomatic service expressed concern Wednesday over the strain on Canadians serving in overseas embassies.

Donald Munro (Esquimalt-Saanich) questioned conditions of service after mentioning that two ambassadors died within the last week.

Mitchell Sharp, long-time external affairs minister who now is Liberal House leader in the Commons, joined Munro in expressing regret over the deaths but said he doubted they were brought on by conditions of service. External Affairs Minister Allan MacEachern, now in the U.S., also has expressed regret.

The two ambassadors referred to are Gilbert Craig Langille, 56, ambassador to Costa Rica and four other countries, and Godfrey Lewis Hearn, 46, ambassador to three Southeast Asian countries.

Munro, who suggested in the Commons and in an interview that there should be more stringent medical checkups, said Langille had relieved him as ambassador to Costa Rica, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Panama.

He said being an ambassador is a difficult job with "all sorts of tugs and pulls." The Central American posting held by himself and Langille was hard on the health because of frequent travelling and living at high altitudes.

Funeral services for Langille were held here Monday. He died Friday.

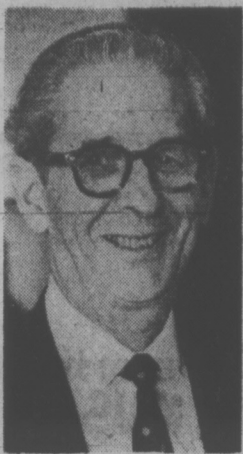
A native of Alberta, he studied at the University of Alberta and University of Toronto. He joined the external affairs department after service in the Second World War and served in Ottawa and seven countries. He was appointed ambassador in 1971.

Hearn died Monday in Bangkok, Thailand. Funeral services will be held in Vancouver at a date to be determined.

Regarded as one of the bright lights in the department, he was appointed ambassador to Thailand, South Vietnam and Laos last year.

Life President

TUNIS (Reuters) — The National Assembly has unanimously proclaimed Habib Bourguiba to be president of Tunisia for life.



MUNRO

He had served in London, Moscow and the United Nations among other places.

Born in Bray, Berkshire, England, he was a graduate of the University of B.C. and the University of London. He joined the department in 1954.

YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T. (CP) — A panel of eight specialists in northern energy and construction Wednesday completed 12 hours of testimony before the Berger pipeline inquiry.

Now they are expected to face at least the same length of time under cross-examination by lawyers representing public interest groups, native organizations and the commission itself.

Since Monday, the specialists from Northern Engineering Services have been explaining the techniques Canadian Arctic Gas Pipelines Ltd. proposes to use in building its 2,600-mile natural gas pipeline from Prudhoe Bay in Alaska to southern markets in Canada and the United States.

Commission counsel Ian Scott has described the panel as perhaps the most important one that will appear before Mr. Justice Thomas Berger's inquiry into the social, economic and environmental effects the \$7-billion project will have on the Canadian North.

The Arctic Gas project is among the first to use 48-inch diameter pipe over such a lengthy route and is the first to propose a pipeline operating at below-zero temperatures.

Adding to the engineering and construction problems is that the pipeline travels through thousands of miles of permafrost and will make more than 200 river crossings, including three Mackenzie River crossings.

The panel members under Dr. John Clark, head of Northern Engineering, repeatedly assured Judge Berger that they are confident they have all of the problems licked.

R. M. Hardy said the Arctic Gas research is second to none on similar projects. Almost \$9 million was spent on test facilities alone, he said.

In testimony Wednesday, Dr. Hardy challenged lawyers to refute his statements that Canadian pipeline technology ranked with the best in the western world. He said Canadian specialists working with Arctic Gas have been hired for the oil pipeline now being constructed in Alaska.

As cross-examination began in the last hour of Wednesday's session, Allan Hollingsworth, lawyer for Foothills Pipe Lines Ltd., sought confirmation of fears that the pipeline route bringing Alaska gas to the main pipeline could encounter risks from earthquakes.

Dr. N. R. Morgenstern, another Arctic Gas witness, said there are no active earthquake areas along the pipeline route.

In the unlikely event of a serious earthquake, precautions taken—such as shallow burial of the pipe and a gravel fill—would allow the pipe "to jump out of its ditch and react flexibly on the ground rather than remain trapped in the ditch," Dr. Morgenstern said.

Earlier in the inquiry, Arctic Gas witnesses said that twin pipelines would be laid only in major river crossings where a pipe failure could mean a costly, lengthy failure.

Such failures would result from scouring—river bottom disturbances—or ice jams.

But none of these problems exist in the 37-mile alternate route across the Mackenzie Delta, a favorite hunting and fishing spot for native people; the inquiry was told.

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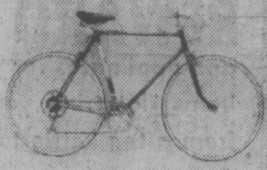
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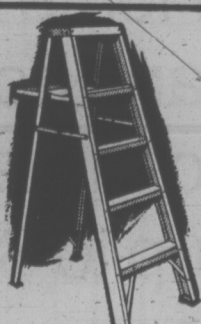
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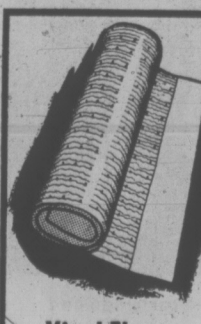
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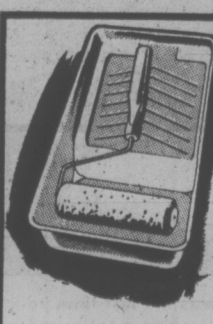
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TEL DELAY URGED

OTTAWA (FP) — A B.C. New Democrat urged Communications Minister Gerard Pelletier Wednesday to intervene personally to stop consideration of another rate increase being applied for by B.C. Telephone Co.

Stuart Leggett told the Commons the utility is asking for a 20 per cent rate increase only a month after the Canadian Transport Commission authorized a raise in phone rates.

He also noted that B.C. Communications Minister Bob Strachan has asked for a federal inquiry into the pricing policies of B.C. Tel and its related companies.

Two Routes Studied For Arctic Pipeline

By VICTORIA MACKIE

OTTAWA — Studies are underway into the feasibility of getting gas out of the Canadian Arctic by either an all-land route into Manitoba or through Quebec route which would involve spanning the Hudson Strait and other problems.

The commons committee on national resources heard from Energy Minister Donald Macdonald last week a description of the advantages and disadvantages of both routes. The official committee transcript was released Wednesday.

"I know the government of Ontario through the Ontario Energy Corporation was looking at the possibility of investment in the Arctic Islands gas, and we would welcome investment from the government of Manitoba," said Macdonald.

Manitoba is faced with serious shortages of natural gas, said Dan McKenzie (PC—Winnipeg South Centre). He urged the federal government, as a shareholder in PanArctic Oils holding rights to most of the discovered gas in the Canadian Arctic Islands, to give immediate consideration to having the pipeline routed through Manitoba.

PanArctic has formed with a number of other firms, a study group called the Polar Gas Study group to study the feasibility of a pipeline from the PanArctic finds down to southern Canada, said Macdonald.

Macdonald said he was not directing the investigation to take either route.

"I have indicated to them that they should investigate all the possible options without favouring one or the

other. They have been doing that," said the minister. There is no deadline for the completing of the report. The minister said the studies would likely mature into an application to the National Energy Board to build a pipeline.

Petro-Canada Seen National Disgrace

OTTAWA (CP) — Petro-Canada, the proposed national oil company, will be a colossal failure, Sinclair Stevens (PC—York-Simcoe) told the Commons Wednesday.

"The government must know that this is going to be a losing proposition," the Progressive Conservative financial critic said in the Commons during second-reading debate on a bill to establish the company.

"Petro-Canada ... is going to be a colossal loss and drain on the taxpayers of Canada ... a new national disgrace."

The opposition estimates that long-term investment in the company might run as high as \$50 billion.

Actual government commitments to date total \$500 million with an option allowing the company to borrow up to \$1 billion more from the public treasury.

Crown corporations have a dismal record compared with private enterprise, Stevens added.

Net investments in all Crown corporations for 1972 totalled \$3.4 billion but combined profits amounted to \$25

OTTAWA (CP) — A report containing 13 major recommendations to amend the government's controversial business competition policy proposals was tabled in the Senate Wednesday.

It calls for a Supreme Court of Canada ruling on the constitutionality of certain of the proposed changes to the Combines Investigation Act, recommends new defences for companies accused under the amended act and calls for limits on the regulatory powers of an expanded restrictive trade practices commission.

The report was tabled by Senator Salter Hayden, chairman of the committee that has been reviewing the competition proposals since early 1974.

The amending bill is still before a Commons committee and cannot officially come before the Senate before receiving third reading in the Commons.

The government has been trying for eight years to win parliamentary approval for an overhaul of federal combines law, the 1910-era statute

that governs corporate activities.

The current bill is only the first stage of an over-all competition policy. It expands prohibitions against misleading advertising and makes several business trade practices subject to review by a commission.

Stage two, dealing with more contentious areas like mergers, monopolies and interlocking directorships, is expected to be introduced within a year after the first stage is accepted.

Beaver Beats Women ...

OTTAWA (CP) — Senator Josie Quart complained Wednesday that a bill recognizing the beaver as a national symbol "received higher priority in the Commons than bills dealing with equality for women."

"And the beaver doesn't even have a vote," Senator Quart told the Senate.

The private bill, was passed by the Commons Tuesday and introduced Wednesday in the Senate.

An omnibus bill to amend several federal statutes to give men and women equal status, introduced in the Commons last October, has not yet come up for debate.

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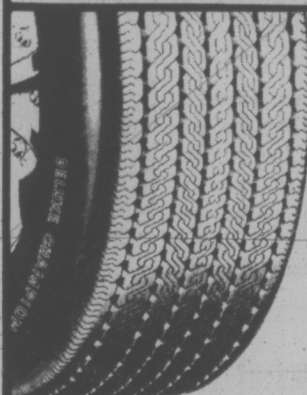
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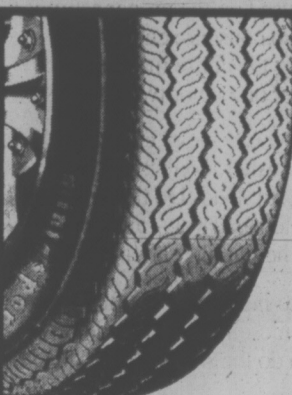
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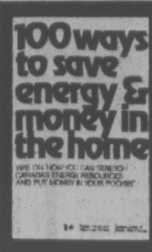
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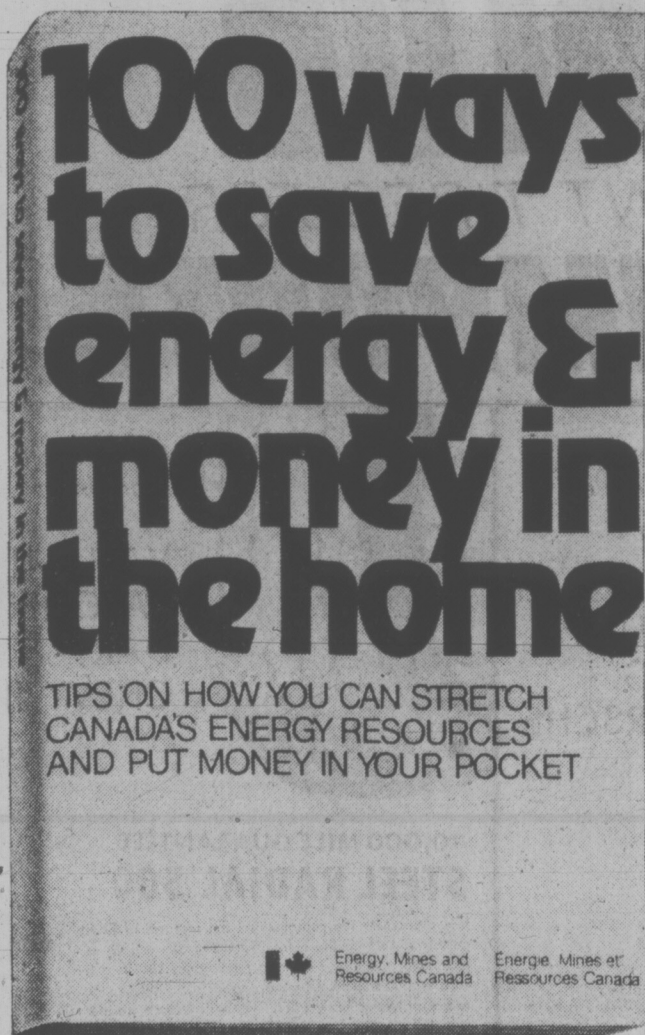
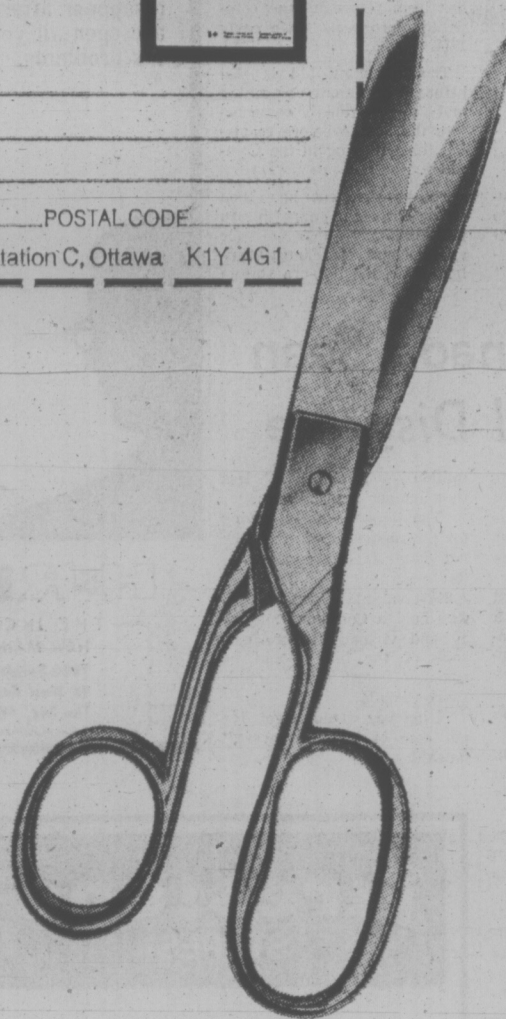
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Five ways to save on home heating

HEATING is the biggest item in a family's home energy budget. Here are a few simple ways to save:

Lower the thermostat.

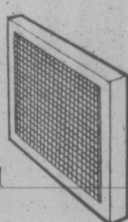
Each degree over 68 adds about 2½% to your heating bill. By dropping the setting from 72 to 70 you can save 5%. Dropping it from 72 to 68 will save 10%—about \$30 a year.

It helps to lower the temperature further at night, and when you're going to be away from home for a few days.



Check your furnace filter.

A dusty, clogged filter forces the system to work harder, and wastes energy. Inspect it every 30 days. (The book shows you how.) An annual or semi-annual furnace cleaning can save you another 10%.



How's your insulation?

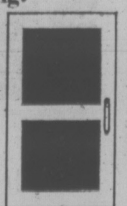
Many Canadian homes have inadequate insulation. Ceilings should have 6" or more of mineral wool or glass fibre insulation. Wall cavities should be completely filled. Basement walls should also be protected to 2 feet below grade level. To avoid fire hazards, don't use foamed plastic insulation in exposed applications.



Use storms and weather-stripping.

Storm windows and doors will reduce heat loss in winter by up to 15%.

Weather-stripping is a must. A tiny gap of ¼" along the bottom of a door is the same as having a 9 square-inch hole in your living-room wall. *100 ways to save energy and money in the home* explains how to weather-strip joints and caulk the frames of windows and doors.

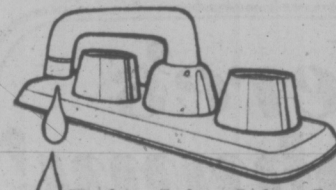


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FBI Tactics Bared in Files

WASHINGTON (AP) — The FBI secretly interfered with political campaigns, promoted racial unrest and anonymously mailed abusive letters in a 10-year campaign to disrupt the Socialist Workers party, say newly-disclosed FBI documents.

The tactics even reached into the national headquarters of the boy scouts.

Three thousand pages from the FBI files give the first detailed account of the plan, known as COINTELPRO, launched by J. Edgar Hoover at various times in the 1950s and 1960s. Hoover terminated formal COINTELPRO operations in April, 1971.

Party officials and the Political Rights Defence Fund, which is supporting the party's \$27-million damage suit against the FBI, were making the documents public after winning a federal court order forcing the FBI to yield them. The party has accused the FBI of widespread violations of its constitutional rights.

Since it was formed in the 1930s, the party regularly has offered candidates for local and national office, usually picking up only a tiny percentage of the vote.

The documents show that the FBI mailed numerous anonymous letters designed to damage personal and political reputations of party members.

CITES EXAMPLE

For example, a 1964 memo described a letter mailed to the editor of The Morning Call, a Paterson, N.J., newspaper, about one of its writers, Murray Zuckoff, who had been active in the party.

"You apparently don't know Zuckoff or what he stands for. It is inconceivable that such a person would find employment on a legitimate newspaper such as The Morning Call," said the letter, signed "a reader."

Zuckoff subsequently dropped out of politics to keep his job.

The documents showed these other political sabotage attempts:

—Information about John Clarence Franklin's past arrests, from five to 12 years earlier, was given to New York reporters during Franklin's 1961 campaign for Manhattan borough president. The information appeared in a

New York Daily News column, which was cited in a later FBI memo judging the exercise successful.

—Signed "Disappointed," the FBI mailed a letter to Sam Jordan, a black candidate for mayor of San Francisco in 1963, attacking certain Jordan supporters who were Socialist Workers party leaders. "The letter has definite disruptive potential," one FBI memo said.

LIST PUSHES REASONS FOR SAFETY BELT USE

The Capital Region Safety Council has published a new list of reasons to use car safety belts.

—A recent provincial court ruling reduced by 25 per cent the damage award to a person who, by not wearing a safety belt, was considered to have contributed to his own injuries in the accident through negligence.

—A Swedish study of 28,000 car accidents showed no belted occupant died at speeds less than 60 mph, while non-belted occupants died at speeds as low as 12 mph.

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—New Australian findings, after two years of mandatory safety belt use, show a 300 per cent reduction in eye injuries and a 50 per cent reduction in facial injuries treated.

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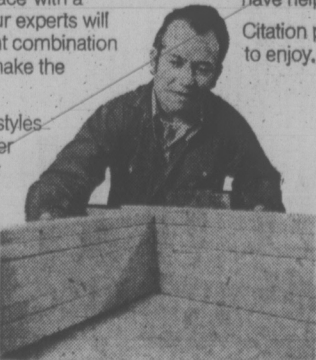
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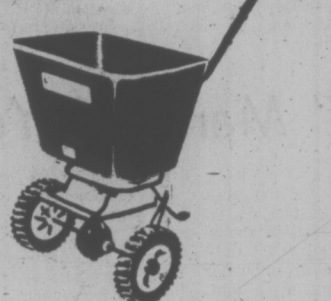
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Lockout Termed Foolish

Harley Robertson's first move, if elected to Esquimalt council in Saturday's by-election, will be a motion to end the civic lockout in the municipality, he told the Victoria Labor Council Wednesday.

Robertson, chosen by the labor council's municipal affairs committee as the most labor-oriented of the candidates, said he is running for the aldermanic seat because he "does not believe in the 'foolishness' of the lockout."

The civic employers are using the Machiavellian principle of divide and conquer, but it's had the reverse effect because labor support is stronger than ever."

Robertson said the lockout will have the effect of making the civic workers much less co-operative than in the past.

The lockout, he said, is Victoria Mayor Peter Pöllen's first step towards amalgamation of the four core municipalities.

"He's got the municipalities working together and he wants Esquimalt's tax base for Victoria."

Robertson said he was against the amalgamation because "we have a good spirit in Esquimalt and it's a good place to live."

New NDP Slate

Jack Groves has been elected president of the federal Esquimalt-Saanich NDP Association succeeding Dave Smith. Jewel Rodstrom was elected vice-president.

'Y' Marks 10 Years

Victoria's YM-YWCA will mark its 10th anniversary at the 580 Courtney St. location in a combination annual general meeting and family celebration brunch on Sunday.

Beginning at 1 p.m., the program will include brunch, a brief business meeting, children's entertainment, a family walk to Clover Point, family swim, family gym, and the cutting of an anniversary cake.

Members and families are encouraged to attend, especially those who have been members since the "Y" moved to its present building.

Several special programs are underway or taking registrations now at the "Y."

A four-day Outdoor Leadership Camp will run March 31 until April 4 to help students

MARINE PARK PLAN PROBED

The federal parks branch is studying in undisclosed areas on the west coast with a view to establishing marine parks, Robert Ahrens, associate minister of conservation and recreation, in B.C. said today.

But Ottawa has not submitted any firm proposals yet, he said.

He was commenting on a statement by Indian and

Northern Affairs Minister Judd Buchanan that Parks Canada hopes to establish additional marine parks in British Columbia and would co-operate with the province in establishing linear parks.

Ahrens noted many factors have to be considered before a marine park is established.

"This type of park involves such things as the quality of

water for the protection of marine life in inter-tidal zones," he said.

He said at present there was no question of federal involvement in establishing linear parks, but they could well be brought into the picture. Linear parks are narrow corridors, such as trails along the seacoast and rivers.

He observed that the gov-

ernment is considering recreational corridor legislation for the protection of historic trails, wild rivers and the development of recreational trails near urban areas.

"Parks Canada may be willing to assist in maintaining or establishing some of these so-called linear parks," he said. "So far the federal government is not involved."

Patient Care Threat From Intern Strike

VANCOUVER (CP) — The president of the B.C. Medical Association warned today that patient care may be jeopardized if doctors have to indefinitely assume the duties of residents and interns who have walked out at seven B.C. hospitals in a wage dispute.

Although hospital staff doctors can cope with the work load in the short run, "in the long term it is bound to lead to a diminishing of efficiency and quality" of care for the patients, Dr. William D. Abbott said.

Dr. Craig Beattie, president of the Professional Association of Residents and Interns whose members have staged the walkouts, agreed with Dr. Abbott's assessment of the situation.

He said larger hospitals like Vancouver General and St.

Paul's depend on their resident doctors and interns working about 60 to 100 hours a week each to function normally. He said it was possible that functioning at the hospitals could eventually slow down to "just about nothing" if the dispute is lengthy.

"Private physicians now will have to make up that time (time usually worked by the resident doctors and interns), and they will either have to make it up out of their private office hours or hospital operations will have to slow down," said Dr. Beattie.

Today, 175 PARI members booked off at Vancouver General Hospital, joining about 150 other association

members who began booking off Monday at hospitals in Victoria and the Greater Vancouver district. PARI members were off the job today at Royal Columbian Hospital in New Westminster, the Health Sciences Centre at the University of B.C., Vancouver General, Shaughnessy and St. Paul's hospitals in Vancouver, Victoria General and Royal Jubilee.

The bookoffs are in protest of an impasse in contract negotiations with the B.C. Health Association. PARI spokesmen have said the walkouts will continue until a contract settlement is reached with the BCHA, or the BCHA agrees to submit the wage dispute to binding arbitration.

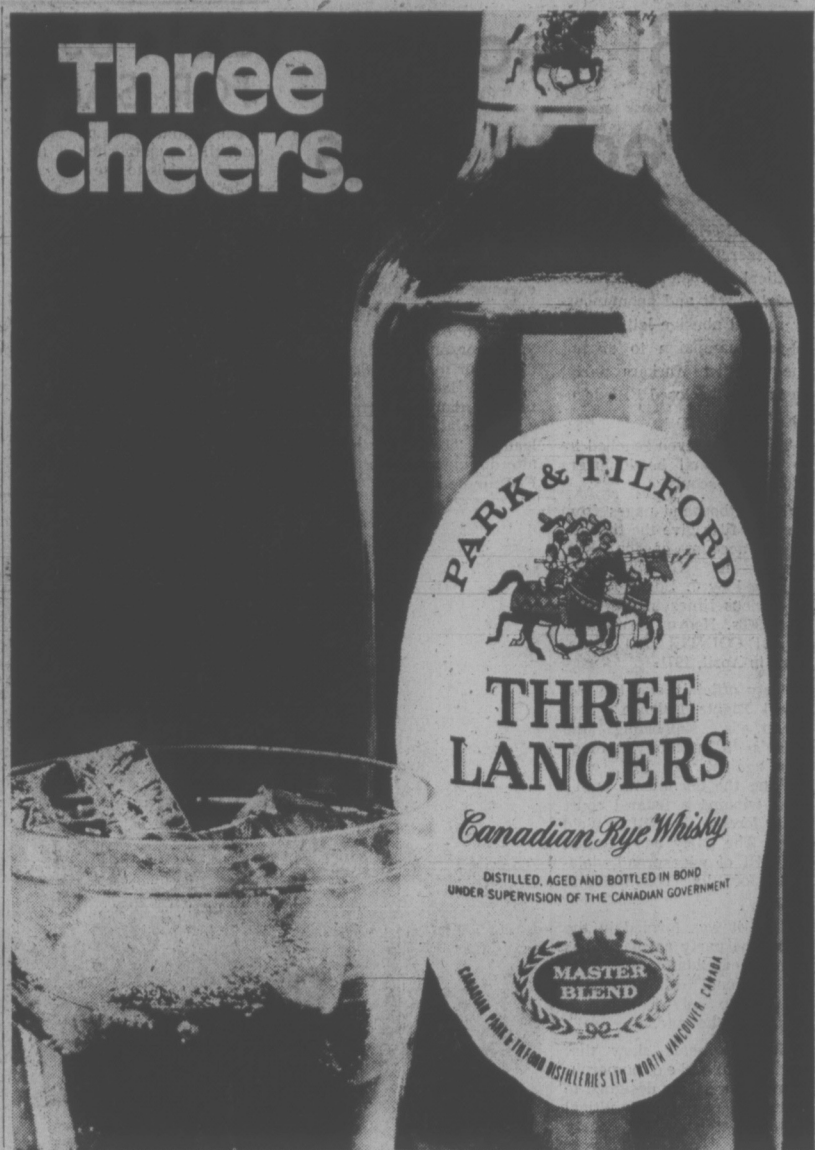
JACKSON EXHIBIT

Thirty-three paintings by A. Y. Jackson, one of the Group of Seven who died in 1974 at the age of 92, will be on display at the Maritime Museum in Bastion Square until April 27.

They include portraits of three British Columbia Victoria Cross heroes from the First World War, Pte. John Chipman Kerr of Port Moody, Lieut. Robert Shankland of Vancouver and Company Sgt. Maj. Robert Hannah of Mount Lehman.

On loan from the War Museum in Ottawa, the remainder of the collection include battle scenes of Vimy Ridge and Ypres.

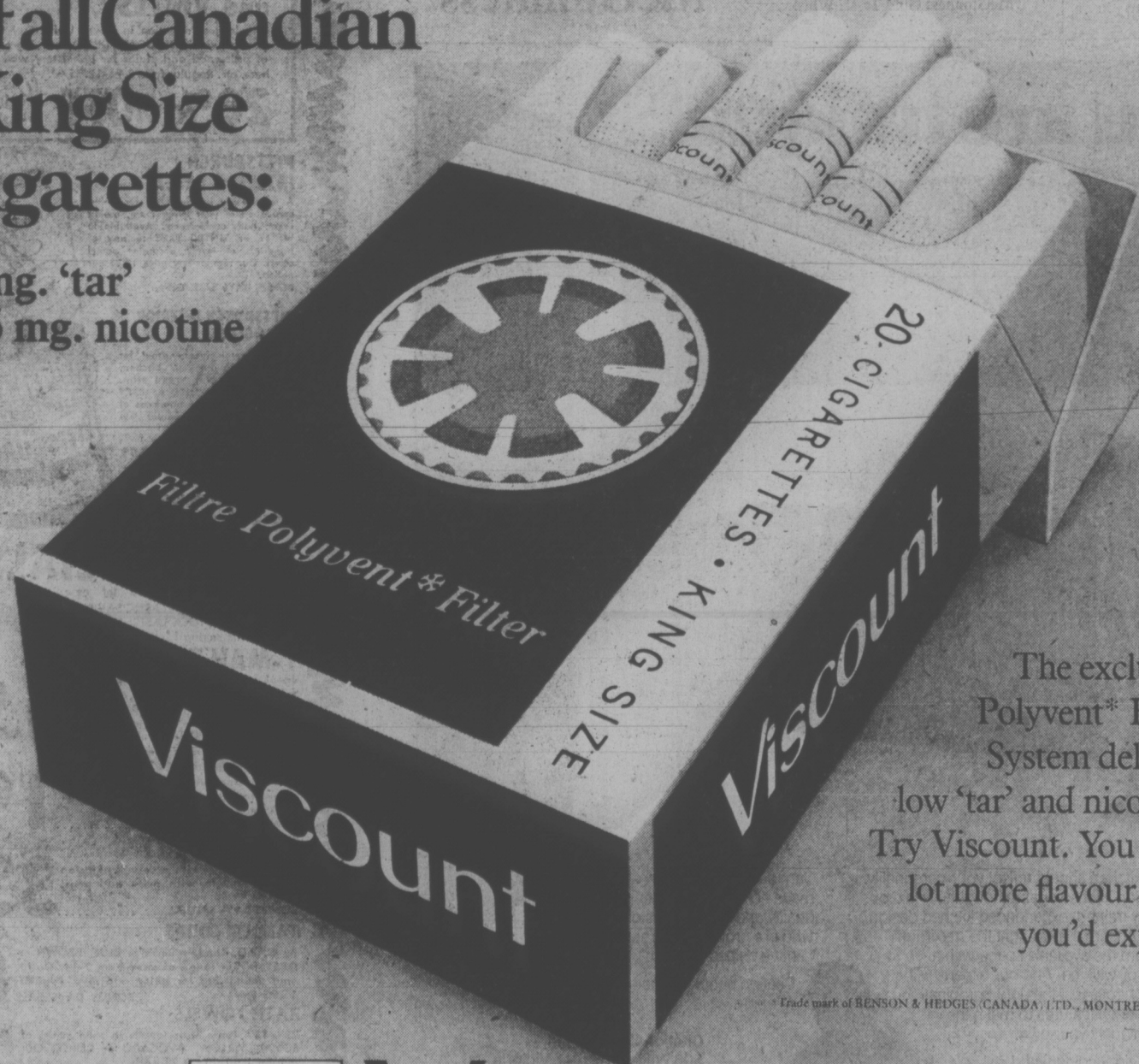
Former lieutenant-governor Maj.-Gen. George Pearkes, himself a VC winner, will be present for the official opening of the display at 11 a.m. Friday.



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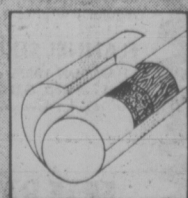
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Creation of a recreational trail from Sooke to Cape Scott is recommended in a B.C. Wildlife Federation brief to the B.C. government's environmental and land-use committee.

The brief prepared by federation director Howard English urges a "recreation corridor" similar in concept to the Muir Trail from Mexico to the Canadian border or the Appalachian Trail in eastern United States.

"The basic trail should connect all major parks, such as Pacific Rim National Park,

Sitka, the proposed Schoen Lake Park and Cape Scott," it states.

"It should include other high recreational value areas along its route, like the upper White River with its snow peaks and ice-fields," it adds.

The White River area is about 30 miles north of Sayward and its scenic qualities likened to the Rocky Mountains.

The brief observes that Vancouver Island has mountain scenery equal to those of the mainland, but little has been done to utilize the asset.

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"Mother Hen" McDougall

Fair Sex Is Plucky In Militia Training

By PAT DUFOUR

Chickening out by female students who take the militia training program doesn't happen often, says the mother hen of the Victoria Militia Service Battalion.

But when it does you never forget it, reports MWO Phyllis McDougall, 189 Crease.

Being the senior woman in the battalion makes her feel like a mother hen, she concedes, especially when you're assigned to work with the Summer Student Employment and Activity Program, as she has for four years.

She said one of the most amusing highlights of her 22½ years of military service happened last summer when she was working with 75 SSEAP students — 25 girls and 50 boys.

She said the girls were equal to the challenge of rappelling down a mountain and other trials.

"The girls are just fantastic," she said. "They do better than the boys usually because they work harder at it."

The girls' downfall was caused through 12 scrawny chickens.

"It was when we were at Mary Hill taking survival training last summer. The first day the students were not allowed to eat anything except what they could find," she said.

"The second day we bought 12 scrawny chickens and let them loose. The students had to catch them, chop off their heads, pluck and cook them," McDougall said. "One girl

just took off and got completely lost for the afternoon."

"Off came the heads of the chickens but nary a one lost its head under the hands of our young ladies. This was where the fair sex drew the line."

McDougall has spent 20 years serving with the militia and has another 2½ years of service to her credit.

She served these in England during the Second World War as a special wireless operator with the Women's Auxiliary Territorial Service.

Recognition for her many years of service was given at Tuesday's parade when she was presented with the clasp to the Canadian Decoration.

Modestly, she says most of her years in uniform have been routine — except when the chickens got into the act.

Sauve Combines Duties

Concern for women and the problems they face economically, socially and culturally in Canada was "a part" of environment minister Jeanne Sauve's reason for seeking a parliamentary seat, she told me last weekend when she was in Victoria.

"That was back in 1972 when she was first elected (with two other Liberal women from her province of Quebec) as a federal Member of Parliament."

Almost immediately the freshman MP faced the challenge of heading a year-old ministry of state for science and technology.

In the 1974 federal election she was returned to Ottawa and again to a challenge as environment minister.

"All this has meant I have had to leave most of the fight for women's rights to others... but I am still concerned and I do help wherever possible."

Jeanne Sauve is "definitely" in agreement with Secretary of State Hugh Faulkner who, in speaking at a recent International Women's Year seminar in Ottawa, expressed the belief more women should be in the federal government and that effort should be made to elect women in every one of the provinces.

"Certainly every effort should be made," she said, "not only to elect them but to make it easier for them to fulfil their parliamentary duties once they are elected."

She believes it's far from easy for a woman to combine the duties of wife and mother with parliamentary responsibilities, if she lives any distance from Ottawa.

So far Mme. Sauve herself has managed to combine these duties because, as she explains, the family home is in Montreal. She lives in Ottawa during the week and commutes the short distance between the cities on weekends.

Over Saturday and Sunday her time is then divided between home, a 15-year-old



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son, Jean Francois, and her constituency.

"I do not know how I would do it, if I lived out in British Columbia, for instance, or in the Maritimes, and had to travel those long distances all the time."

She looked at me thoughtfully and added eventually "we may have to identify the areas of need in such instances and produce policies and plans to meet them, if we want to interest more women in going after parliamentary seats."

Did she see any parallel between her experiences in public life and those of Claire Kirkland-Casgrain, first woman member of the Quebec legislature, who writes in the current Chatelaine magazine of "persecution" during the years 1961-73 when she was in office.

Mme. Sauve had not read the article but assured me if I was thinking of insults, jokes, sneers and laughter, there was no similarity.

"I have always received respectful attention in Cabinet. I've listened to when I enter into debate in chucus and my ideas are considered... of course, those ideas must be good and I must present them intelligently... as you will understand."

Jeanne Sauve received her first taste for parliamentary life through her father, Charles M. Benoit, who encouraged her to take an interest in public affairs and to visit the Parliament frequently.

Then, later again, when she studied at University of Ottawa and University of Montreal she had her second taste.

So it was not too hard for her to become convinced, after her marriage in 1948, that a woman should be able

to pursue a career, as well as wifely duties.

She started work as a radio and television broadcaster and in that capacity became a director of the broadcasting artists' union, vice-president of the Canadian Institute of Public Affairs and a member of the National Centennial Committee.

In 1964 she was in Ottawa as a parliamentary wife during the time her husband Maurice Sauve, was federal forestry minister.

When those years were over and Sauve had returned to a business career, she went back to journalism, freelance broadcasting and to preparing public affairs programs.

Today, this slender, intensely feminine woman has clear ideas on a host of subjects in

many policy areas, and she can put those ideas across, if necessary, in three different languages.

Shortly after her election in 1972 she became a founding member of the Institute for Research and Public Policy, a government-sponsored think-tank which was appointed to advise the cabinet on future policy for Canada.

Last October, as minister of the environment she sponsored a Bill in the House of Commons to provide fines of up to \$100,000 for dumping pollutants or wastes in the oceans applying to all ships in Canadian waters and to Canadian ships in Canadian or international waters.

Mme. Sauve was in Victoria last weekend to officially inaugurate construction of the Patricia Bay Institute of Ocean Sciences which she says is "a milestone in the evolution of marine science research on the west coast."

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Women's Year Seen As Chauvinist Plot

VANCOUVER (CP) — International Women's Year is practically a male chauvinist plot, a workshop on human rights was told this week.

Margaret Fulton, University of B.C. dean of women, said IWY was organized by the male-dominated United Nations and is being carried out in many countries by groups headed by men.

"If 1975 is to be the year of consciousness-raising for women, paradoxically this decision has been made for women by men," said Dr. Fulton.

She noted that Canada's participation in IWY is being co-ordinated by two men — Secretary of State Hugh Faulkner and Health Minister Marc Lalonde.

"It is precisely this kind of male bureaucracy telling women that they now have an opportunity to gain equality and to improve their status that is so annoying to many women's groups," she said.

"Great dissatisfaction with the programming and funding of IWY has been demonstrated and at the nub of this dissatisfaction is the sense that women are not directing their own affairs, but rather, in the same old way, men are telling them what to do," she added.

Dr. Fulton told the 24th annual labor institute on human rights, sponsored by the Vancouver and New Westminster and District Labor Councils, that she appreciated her "more rigorous feminist friends" might even consider her participation in the institute as a form of tokenism or even male chauvinism.

"Or worse, they might judge this whole conference as more evidence of women collaborating with male-oriented organizations merely to maintain the status quo."

"Yet, if women do not seize the opportunities to speak for the cause of women, particularly when we are encouraged to do so by men, we can

scarcely be justified in complaining about discrimination.

"If women co-operate with men, we are charged by our peers with selling out the women's movement. But if we don't, how then can we raise the status of women, or elevate the race as a whole?"

Dr. Fulton's emphasis on involvement by women was echoed in another address to the institute by Shirley G. E. Carr, vice-president of the Canadian Labor Congress.

Carr said women can't complain about their community or their country if they fail to get out and vote for reforms. "Your franchise has been very costly to others to preserve for you," Carr said. "When your municipal elections come up, I suggest you exercise your gift."

B.C. could benefit from the contribution of many more women than are now involved in the political process here," Carr said.

She said Canada's women in 1973 made up 38.7 per cent of the work force, compared with 27.2 per cent in 1962.

"But various discriminations still are widespread," Carr said. "These include underpayment, prejudice against women doing certain kinds of work, non-encouragement in political life and a greater vulnerability of economic fluctuations."

"In a recession women seeking employment are regarded as parasites and every female going into the market is a job filcher."

Carr said women are not aware of the strength and extraordinary power they wield.

"In many sectors, production and economic growth often depend on the choices they make," she said.

"Women have an effective means of economic pressure as consumers. They do not take sufficient advantage of it."

Heart Disease May Be Curbed By Hard Work

BOSTON (AP) — Regular periods of hard work — the strenuous, physical kind — apparently give people some protection against dying from heart disease, medical researchers say.

A long-range study of men whose jobs require heavy, moderate and light energy output says the coronary death rate of those in the high-activity category is half that of men with low-activity jobs.

The study, published here in the March 13 issue of the New England Journal of Medicine, says the different mortality rates hold true even when taking into account other coronary risk factors such as smoking, high blood pressure and previously diagnosed heart disease.

The new report, which strongly supports earlier studies suggesting hard labor may reduce the death risk of heart disease, comes from a 22-year continuing study of 6,331 San Francisco Bay longshoremen.

"During follow-up observation, 598 longshoremen 35 to 74 years old died from coronary heart disease," say the

study's authors, Dr. Ralph Paffenbarger and Wayne Hale.

"Sixty-six deaths were charged to the heavy-work category, 107 to the moderate-work category and 425 to the light category."

The researchers say hard work seemed particularly beneficial in reducing risk of "sudden-death syndrome," in which people quickly die after suffering a heart attack.

The study says the most-active longshoremen doing heavy labor worked in repeated bursts of peak activity rather than in the steady slow pace of those with physically easier jobs.

"Their work habits approximated the intensive exercise now recommended to achieve conditioning and perhaps primary protection from coronary heart disease," the study says.

"These work patterns imply that longshoremen doing heavy work may have crossed a threshold to a plateau of protection from coronary heart disease whereas their less-active co-workers did not."

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50 and Something's Up

DEAR ABBY: My husband was just 50. All of a sudden, Melvin started changing his shirt three times before going to work. He was working overtime, putting extra miles on his car, but was always short of money, so I figured something was up.

I asked a few questions, put two and two together, and found out the reason. She is a 24-year-old girl who works where Melvin works. She worked all summer in hot pants, and the place was air conditioned. I understand that "Hot Pants" has been having lunch and coffee breaks with my Melvin, and they use the company parking lot for a "lover's lane."

When I asked Melvin about "Hot Pants" he said the poor kid has had a lot of problems, and he's been helping her get her life straightened out. Abby, that "poor kid" is divorced, has two kids, and makes \$5.50 an hour. People who have seen her say she could win a Miss America contest if she put a sack over her head.

DEAR WIFE: It may be too late. But if he's acting as a counsellor for her, he may need a counsellor himself. Don't nag or humiliate him. A man in the foolish 50s needs an understanding wife.

DEAR ABBY: This is in response to something you recently had in your column. I quote:

"What's the difference between a lady and a diplomat? When a diplomat says 'yes,' he means maybe."

When a diplomat says 'no,' he means no.

When a lady says 'no,' she means maybe.

When a lady says 'maybe,' she means yes.

When a lady says 'yes,' she's no lady."

Your comment: "Thanks for a dandy day brightener."

Abby, that joke is indeed old, and should be dead. It's a degrading sexist gambit that makes invalid assumptions about women, and furthermore renders them powerless. I wish to amend that old story as follows:

I care not about diplomats, but,

When a woman says "yes," she means yes.

When a woman says "maybe," she means maybe.

And when a woman says "no," she means no.

And if a man persists, or uses force ... he's a rapist!

— Carol

DEAR CAROL: Thanks for setting me straight. I deserved it.

DEAR ABBY: Is there a rule anywhere that says a wedding cake HAS to be white?

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By HARRIET HART

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Furore in U.S. Surfaces in Soviet Sub's Wake

Times News Services
WASHINGTON — Some members of the U.S. Congress say the Central Intelligence Agency's quest for a sunken Russian submarine wasn't worth the money and that

Congress should more closely supervise the CIA's secret budget. Other congressmen defended the operation, in which a CIA-sponsored research ship last year raised part of a So-

viet submarine, armed with nuclear missiles, from the bottom of the Pacific near Hawaii.

The cost of the operation hasn't been officially confirmed, but several reports put it at \$350 million, and congressmen are talking about that figure.

"Intelligence sources say they got useful information from the part of the submarine, even though it was one of Russia's older subs, diesel rather than nuclear powered. Had they raised the whole vessel, they would have got nuclear missiles and probably found code devices with which

they could decipher seven-year-old messages and learn about the deployment of nuclear warheads around the world when the sub went down in 1968.

While the actual documents and equipment on the sub would be outdated, they would open a window on Soviet thinking about nuclear warfare, one intelligence source said.

Rep. Bella Abzug called the project a "disgraceful waste of money."

"The CIA has long considered itself a supergovernment, but I think we in Congress are going to change that," she said.

Rep. Melvin Price, chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, said he doubted the disclosure would hurt détente.

"They (the Russians) are practical people," he said. "If the situations had been reversed, they would have tried to find out all about us."

Reps. Donald Fraser and Edward Bieste, both members of the House international relations committee, said the cost would be justified if the CIA gained some valuable information.

Fraser said another attempt to recover the rest of the sub "would not be out of line if there is valuable information still available."

But Rep. G. V. Montgomery, a member of the House Armed Services Committee, said the effort "cost too much money" and "it's not worth it to try to get the rest of it."

Sen. Jacob Javits said the incident "teaches us that the CIA has been an agency of government that has been practically autonomous. We have got to fashion means to supervise and monitor everything it does and see that it is authorized by Congress."

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MORE RCMP SOUGHT FOR DUNCAN AREA

DUNCAN — A petition requesting more RCMP staff has been signed by 1,278 Cowichan Valley residents and will be presented to Attorney-General Alex Macdonald.

Petition initiators Lynn Knight and Heather Aikenhead plan to meet with Macdonald as soon as possible. They circulated the petition after receiving information on the growing rate of crime and vandalism in the Cowichan Valley.

"From the information we have gathered from Duncan Staff Sergeant William Gilchrist, there is a need for eight more men," said Aikenhead.

Gilchrist said recently that North Cowichan has the highest traffic fatality rate in Canada for a municipality of under 15,000 people.

Extra Ferry Cost Routine Changes

Routine design adjustments are responsible for any extra costs incurred in the construction of three ferries being built for addition to the B.C.

Qualicum Bypass Nearer

The Island Highway will soon bypass Qualicum Beach, Highways Minister Graham Lea said Wednesday as one of several projects planned to take the highway away from beach communities.

A bypass in Parksville will also go ahead in the near future, he said.

The Qualicum Beach bypass was started several years ago but was never completed.

A department spokesman said today there is not expected to be any delay because of the matter and the three ferries — two passenger and one truck vessel — should be completed by the spring of 1976.

Mandatory Licences Asked for Boaters

CAMPBELL RIVER — The federal government should force all boat operators to be licensed, say delegates to the annual Associated Chambers of Commerce of Vancouver Island convention here.

A resolution that operators of all craft, whether power or sail, be examined and licensed was passed by the delegates this week.

Cumberland chamber representative Robert Nikolaisen

spoke in favor of the resolution saying recently-introduced licensing of hunters has proved both workable and beneficial.

Another resolution endorsed at the convention said all boats should carry distress signals. Only vessels over 26 feet long must now carry the signals.

Delegates went along with a Parksville chamber motion that highway facilities on the island be improved, and that the government be pressed to provide good roads and by-passes such as the one slated for Parksville.

Other resolutions passed dealt with oil spill prevention, and government grants to municipalities wanting to provide services near national parks.

Bursary Tribute

A bursary for local dance students will be established to honor the late Erith Smith's support of the arts.

Smith, a veteran Colonist newspaperman and in recent years the newspaper's entertainment writer, died Tuesday of cancer at age 64.

The bursary or scholarship will be awarded annually to a promising student of dance because Smith had a particular interest in that art, Allan Purdy, past president of the greater Victoria Community Arts Council, said Wednesday. Contributions may be mailed to the Community Arts Council of Greater Victoria, 45 Bastion Square, Victoria.

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Before the Judge

Judge William Ostler released 21-year-old Wilfred Colin Morrison on his own recognizance in the sum of \$500 and remanded him to March 28 for election after he was charged Wednesday in Vic-

toria provincial court with the theft Monday of two cars. Prosecutor Clarence Vause said the cars were stolen from Peter Pollen Ford, 1060 Yates and E. R. Plastering Ltd., 4265 Carey Road.

Morrison, of 1150 Queens, had also been charged Tuesday with four related counts: theft early Tuesday of a car from Peter Pollen Ford, possession of a stolen car, theft of one licence plate belonging to the crown and possession of a stolen licence plate.

"These matters in their totality are very serious indeed," Ostler said. A condition of Morrison's release is that he give up his driver's licence.

"The fact that you have previous convictions for theft and are already on probation, the recommendation of the crown is irresistible," Ostler told a 23-year-old man arrested for shoplifting only three hours before at Shoppers Drug Mart, 1302 Douglas. James Edward Lee, 3821 Cadboro Bay, was sentenced to 45 days in jail. He pleaded guilty to stealing \$16.89 worth of vitamin tablets and razor blades.

Alexander James Middleton, 22, of 402 Chester, was also arrested Wednesday at Shoppers Drug mart for shoplifting.

He took two pairs of eyeshadow and one eyeliner valued at \$8.95.

Vause said when police asked Middleton why he chose these particular items, he replied it was the type of make-up he sometimes wore.

"Was that a serious reply?" asked Ostler.

"Yes, your honor," said Middleton.

Ostler ordered a presentence report. Middleton was released on his own recognizance and in the sum of \$500 and remanded to April 4 for sentencing.

Three Victoria youths pleaded guilty to two counts of purse-snatching in Beacon Hill Park Monday afternoon. Donald Merle Haldane, 18, of 967 Bewdley, Richard Chabaszewicz, 18, of 897 Selkirk, and Michael Oleinek, 17, of 885 Craigflower, were arrested in Beacon Hill Park Tuesday and identified by the two women whose purses had been stolen.

Vause said Oleinek stole the purses but all three youths shared in the proceeds. Oleinek also pleaded guilty to possession of hashish.

They were remanded to March 27 for presentence report and sentencing on all charges.

Louis Schmelz, 60, of 1330 Pembroke, received the mandatory jail sentence of 20 days in jail on his second impaired driving charge.

Vause said Schmelz, who pleaded guilty, drove into the rear of a car on Wharf Street on Tuesday.

"He had all the signs of impairment," Vause read from

police reports. "He spoke loudly, never stopped laughing, and failed all physical tests given."

Schmelz's previous conviction for impaired driving occurred Oct. 1, 1972.

George Kile, 19, of Work Point Barracks, was fined \$350 after pleading guilty to impaired driving.

Vause said Kile was driving at 50-60 m.p.h. on Gorge Road Tuesday when he hit a street standard, carrying it about 60 feet before his car finally stopped in the front lawn of a home at No. 3 Gorge.

The car ripped a large portion of the lawn, knocked down the rock foundation of the garden and tore up some shrubs, police said.

Three other men who pleaded guilty to impaired driving also received fines and mandatory licence suspensions.

Michael Ernest Otis, 26, of 101 Island Highway, was fined \$400 and Donald James Williams, 46, of 975 Maddison and Peter Charles Allan, 27, of Sooke, were each fined \$350.

A 22-year-old man, who told police the reason he had been speeding Tuesday was to get to his uptight girlfriend and cheer her up, was fined \$50 after pleading guilty to careless driving.

Police said Ronald MacAuley, of no fixed address, was driving his motorcycle north on Shelbourne from Kings at 65 m.p.h., pursued by a patrol car with its red light and siren on. At one point, the accused turned his head around to the patrol car, then increased the speed he was travelling at. He was finally stopped in the 3200-block Shelbourne.

MacAuley told the court he speeded up after he turned his head and looked behind because he thought he was being followed by an ambulance and felt he should get out of the way.

Hamigo Estates, 1175 Douglas, was fined \$200 after pleading guilty to failing to remit \$179.50 in income tax last June.

CARS PASS EMISSION TESTS

OTTAWA (CP) — Results of a test program on 43, 1974-model automobiles shows the Canadian automotive industry is providing cars well within established emission standards, the transport department said Wednesday.

The department also announced that emission standards set for 1975 and 1976 will be extended through 1977.

The tests, conducted by the department's road and motor vehicle safety branch, showed an improvement in results from 1974 models over 1973 models.

Hydrocarbon emissions for 1974 cars was 2.9 grams per mile compared with 2.2 grams for 1973 cars and the department 1973-74 standard of 3.4 grams.

Carbon monoxide emissions were 23 grams per mile for 1974 cars compared with 26 grams for 1973 cars and the standard of 39 grams.

Nitrogen oxide emissions were 1.8 grams per mile for 1974 models compared with 2.0 grams for 1973 cars and the standard of 3.0 grams.

The tests involved both imported and domestic cars, the department said in a news release.

The 1975 and 1976 standards for hydrocarbons have been tightened to 2.0 grams per mile from the 1973-74 standards of 3.4 and the carbon monoxide limits to 25 grams per mile from 39.

Extension of the standards

until 1977 "should not have a serious impact on Canadian air quality," the statement said. The government was watching the experience of more stringent U.S. emission standards, to determine what emission technology may be applicable to future Canadian needs.

The tests also determined the fuel economy of the vehicles tested over 4,000 miles of actual driving.

They showed that as vehicle weight increased, average

fuel economy was drastically reduced from 30 miles a gallon at 2,000 pounds to 15 miles a gallon and less for cars over 4,000 pounds, the department said.

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VICTORIA CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC presents Robert Holliston, senior piano student and student teacher, in a recital of works by Mozart, Beethoven, Schumann, Chopin and Bartok. Tonight at 8, Craigdarroch Castle.

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INTRA-CULTURAL ASSOCIATION OF GREATER VICTORIA presents program of song and dance by 19 ethnic groups, Saturday at 8 p.m., McPherson Playhouse. Emcee, John Dunbar.

FOLKLORE CENTRE CONCERT SERIES presents Eric Park in country blues and ragtime, and Dianne Campbell, folksinger, Open Space, Saturday, 8 p.m.

BASTION CHILDREN'S THEATRE presents *Nuts and Bolts and Rusty Things*, a young people's musical directed by Sylvia Hosie and Merisse Hill. Saturday, 1 p.m. and 3 p.m., 538 Yates Street. Also Saturday, March 29.

VICTORIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA, conductor Juan Matteucci. Quartet from Pacific Wind Quintet in Mozart Sinfonia Concertante in E Flat major for oboe, clarinet, horn and bassoon. Respighi, *Fountains of Rome*; Dvorak,

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COLQUHOUN JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL BAND will present a concert Sunday at 2:30 p.m. at McPherson Playhouse. Guest artists, the Rusty Thompson Quartet.

FIRST CHAMBER DANCE QUINTET from Seattle will appear in a performance at McPherson Playhouse, Monday at 8 p.m.

SCOTLAND THE BRAVE, a program of "Songs of the Lion Rampant" will be given by Jack Whyte, Scotch-Canadian bass baritone, Tuesday at 8 p.m., McPherson Playhouse. Assisting, Adeline Duncan Dancers.

UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA PHOENIX FESTIVAL presents *The Caretaker* by Harold Pinter. Wednesday through Saturday, March 27, 8 p.m., Phoenix Theatre. Matinee Saturday at 2 p.m.

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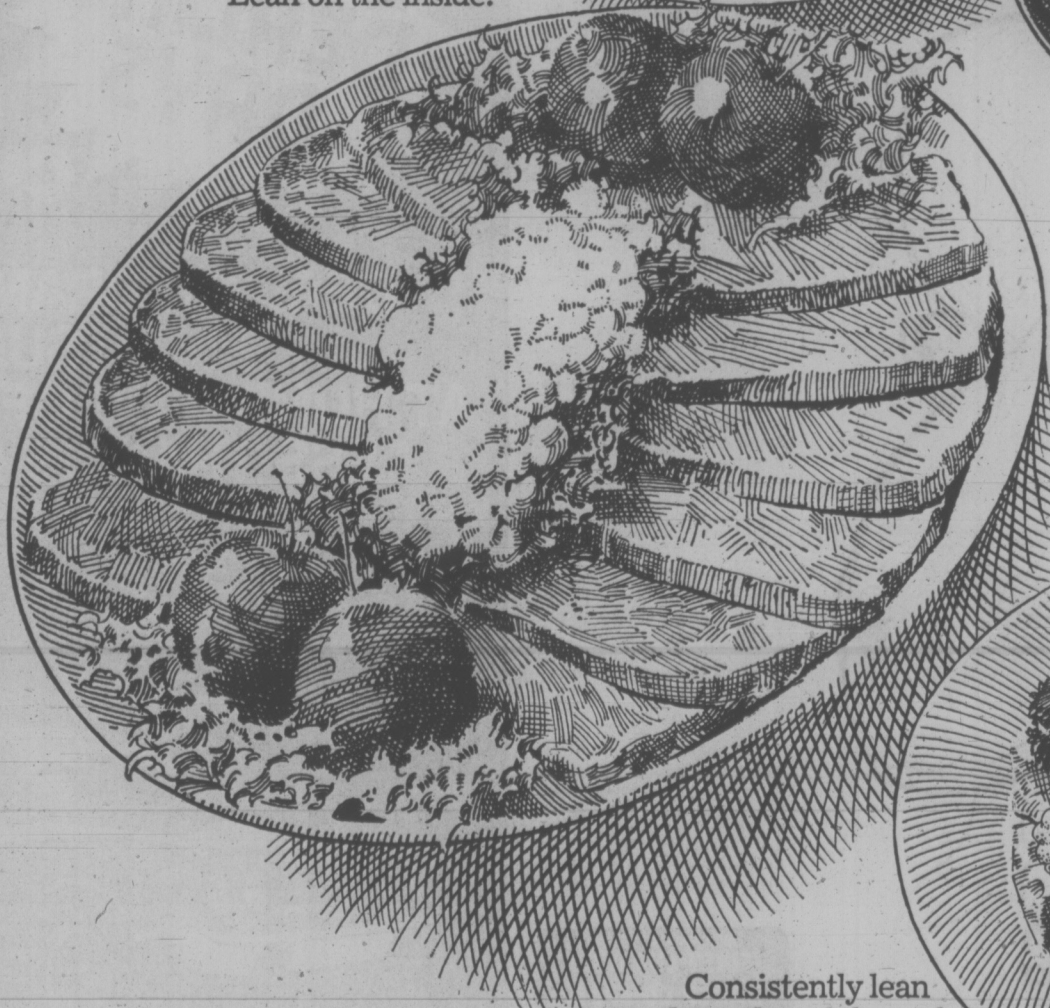
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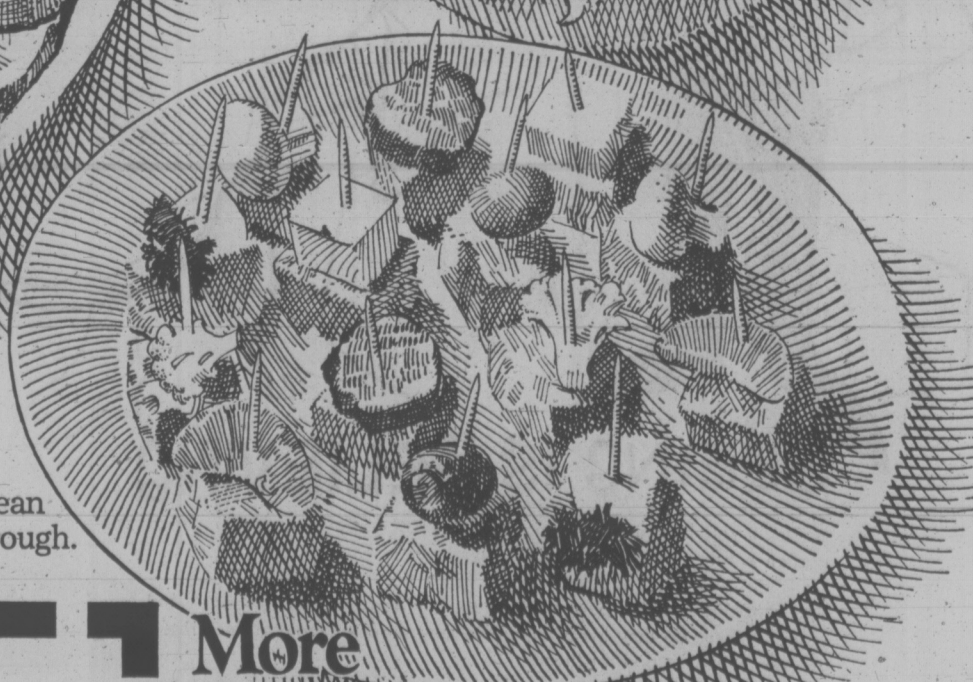
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"You should have seen me

a month ago when I got out of the hospital — I looked like Mama Cass," the entertainer joked during his opening night performance at the Las Vegas Hilton.

Presley sang more than a dozen selections, with tunes ranging from C.C. Rider to I Got A Woman and Take My

Hand, his closing number. Gone from his repertoire were such hits as Hound Dog, Blue Suede Shoes and All Shook Up.

In his first show since his release from the hospital in February, Presley gave away the traditional neck scarves and kisses to front-row fans. He said it was the first time in five years that he had performed without his father in the audience.

Vernon Presley was hospitalized in Memphis, Tenn. Feb. 5 following a heart attack. The entertainer himself entered Baptist hospital in Memphis Jan. 29. Doctors said he had an intestinal blockage and there were reports he suffered from a liver ailment.

One source said Presley had entered the hospital in an attempt to lose weight. He was scheduled to open here last month, but that appearance was cancelled, again because of reports of overweight.



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NEW YORK — A woman patient has won \$350,000 in damages from a psychiatrist Dr. Benetius Hartogs convicted of coercing her into 14 months of sexual therapy on his office couch.

OTTAWA — Lawyer Leonard Shore said Wednesday that Ottawa police are responsible for the death Monday of Warren Zetzi, 34, who died after falling 13 storeys. He had been charged with gross indecency and police said the charge was another in connection with a teen-aged homosexual prostitution ring. Police had a right to make public the charge, Shore said, but specifying a link with a vice ring was a matter to be proved in court and far exceeded proper legal procedure.



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Shrinking World?

HOUSTON — The continents began as part of a huge earth crust 4.5 billion years ago and have been slowly falling into the oceans and getting smaller ever since, according to a Maryland geologist.

Dr. Paul Lowman of the Goddard Space Flight Centre discounts the theories the continents have grown in land size. He believes they are shrinking. The land masses are eroding into the sea and becoming part of the oceanic crust which is continually growing, he said.

His theory would be difficult to prove because scientists have found no geologic record older than 3.5 billion years, he added.

MOSCOW — Actress Victoria Fedorova emerged from the Moscow visa office triumphant and happy today with the permit which will allow her to visit her American father for the first time.

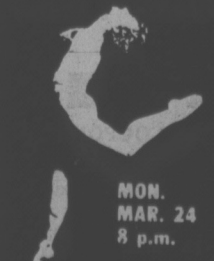
BANGKOK — Parliament has approved the government of prime minister Kukrit Pramo, ending two months of chaotic politicking that followed Thailand's first free election in 28 years. Kukrit, 62, said today he will ask the United States to stop shipment of arms and ammunition to Cambodia from bases in Thailand.

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Canadian Ambassador Marcel Cadieux said Wednesday that despite issues such as United States military draft dodgers, foreign-ownership controls on land, energy problems and beef quotas, Canada is not adopting an anti-American attitude.

NEW WESTMINSTER — Robert Thompson, former national leader of the Social Credit party, has been released from hospital after being treated for injuries suffered in a traffic accident a week ago.

LOS ANGELES — Omar Bradley, the only remaining U.S. five-star general, who took his greatest pride as the epitome of the slogging U.S. foot soldier, is gravely ill today following a stroke, in the right portion of his brain.

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Anderson also contended earlier this week that a forest fire near the Nixon home in California was apparently set by the KGB.

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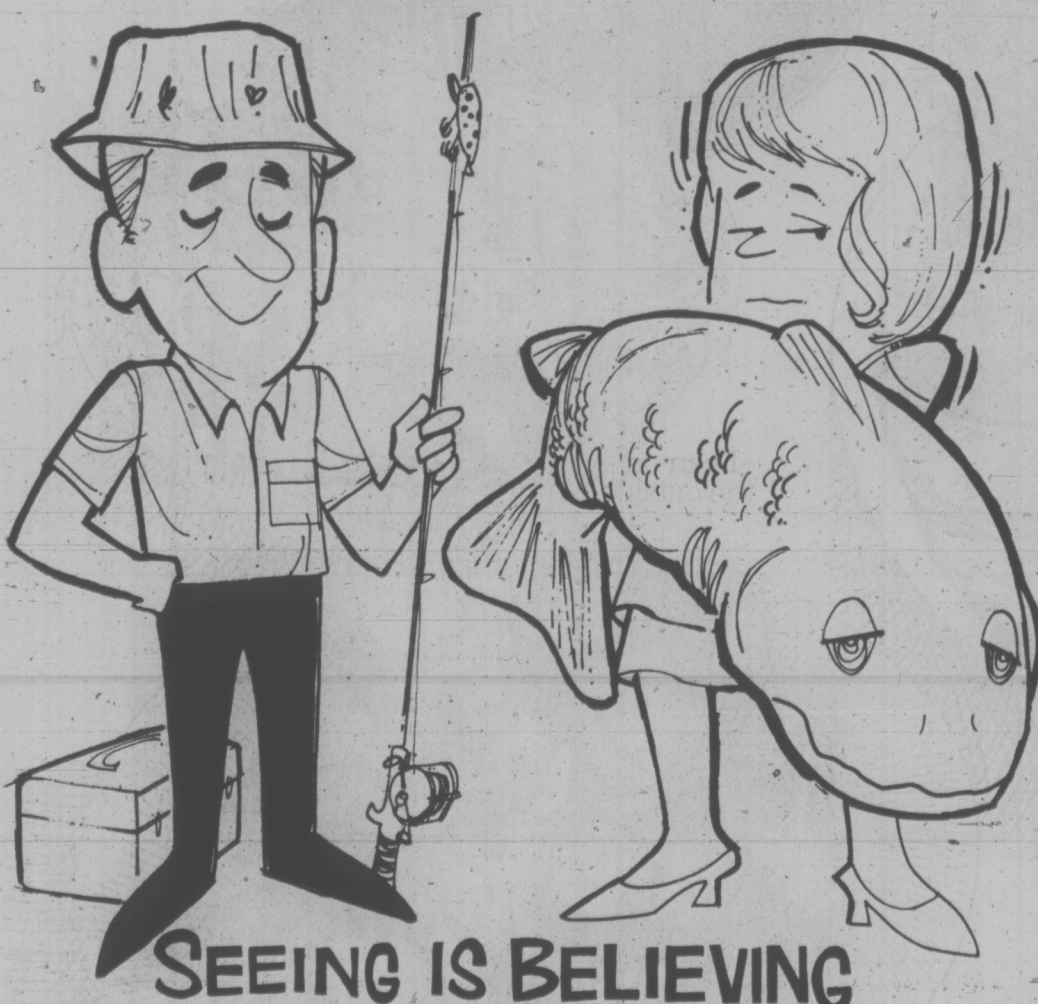
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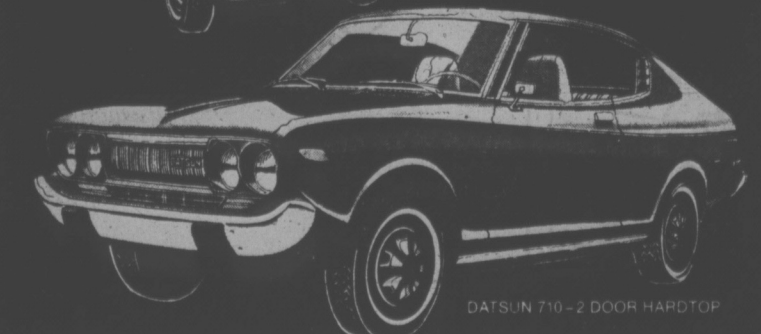


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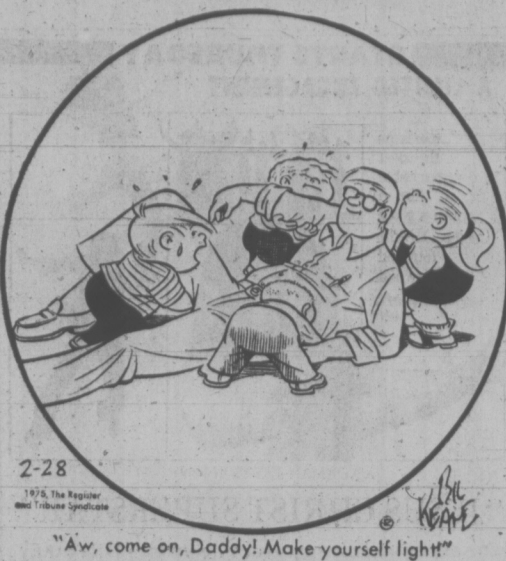
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The Bridge Expert

By FRED KARPIN

It is an accepted fact that of the three departments of bridge, bidding, declarer's play, and defensive play, defence is the most difficult part of the game to master. Thus it is always a source of pleasure to me when I come across sterling play by the defenders. Such was the case in today's deal, which arose in a national tournament.

Both sides vulnerable. North deals.

The bidding:

NORTH	
♠ 8 4 3	
♥ A K 7	
♦ K 6 5	
♣ A 8 5 2	
WEST	
♠ K J	♠ Q 10 9 6
♥ 5	♥ 6 4 2
♦ A Q J 10 7 4	♦ 8 2
♣ 9 7 6 3	♣ K J 10 4
SOUTH	
♠ A 7 5 2	
♥ Q J 10 9 8 3	
♦ 9 3	
♣ Q	

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1♠	Pass	1♥	2♦
2♥	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: Ace of ♠.

After opening the ace of diamonds, upon which East played the discouraging deuce, West shifted to his singleton trump at trick two. As will be observed, had he not made this trump lead, declarer would have fulfilled his contract.

The trick was taken by dummy's king, after which a

spade was led to South's excellent play when he "unblocked" by tossing his king of spades on South's ace. South then led another spade, and East came up with a good play when he overtook his partner's jack with the queen. East then led another trump, which was taken by dummy's ace.

Dummy's remaining spade was played next, east winning with the nine as West discarded a diamond. A third trump lead now removed dummy's remaining trump. When play had ended, declarer had lost one diamond and three spades, to incur a one-trick set.

The defence was gorgeous. Had West made any lead but a trump at trick two, declarer would have obtained the timing to ruff his fourth spade in dummy (after giving away two spade tricks). And had West not tossed away his king of spades on South's ace, west would have been forced to win the second spade lead with his king. Since West had no more trumps, the defenders would now have been unable to prevent declarer from ruffing out his fourth spade.

And so, as it developed, each time declarer lost a spade trick (the second and third leads of spades), East shot back a trump, removing dummy's two remaining pieces. Against this excellent defence, there was nothing that declarer could have done to have avoided losing three spade tricks; and, justifiably, he was able to attribute his defeat to circumstances beyond his control.

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ANSWER TO WEDNESDAY'S PUZZLE

ACROSS	DOWN	ACROSS
1 Suit	20 Rabbi	5 Disagreement
3 Goodwill	21 Pensive	6 Incense
9 Adorned	22 Sledging	7 Last
10 Socks	23 Bent	8 Intoxicating
11 Discouraging		12 Interest
13 Retail	DOWN	14 Tenable
15 Demean	1 Standard	16 Chopin
17 Unfathomable	2 Idols	18 Bride
	4 Orders	19 Eros

CLUES

ACROSS

1 National team? (11)

9 You will be after the right kind of whisky (3)

10 To communicate quickly could be a great help (9)

11 and 3 Dn. Briefly records what the Treasury printer does (5, 5)

13 He's bound to be class-conscious (7)

14 Told to go to the railway guard (6)

16 Unusual tea-set disposed of by legacy (6)

18 Loyally announce what is no longer staked (7)

19 The levy isn't complete — you'll get a letter (5)

20 I'd no trait altered — it's handed down (9)

21 Stick insect returning (3)

22 Tremendously keen to be seen in an acing capacity (5-6)

DOWN

2 Leave an account unsettled — you and I will get nothing (3)

3 See 11 Across

4 Give an account about the departed? (6)

5 Broken glass in track equipment (7)

6 The opposite of the cost of living? (5-4)

7 Records of offensive operations by military personnel (5-6)

8 Foremen arraign deck laborers (6-5)

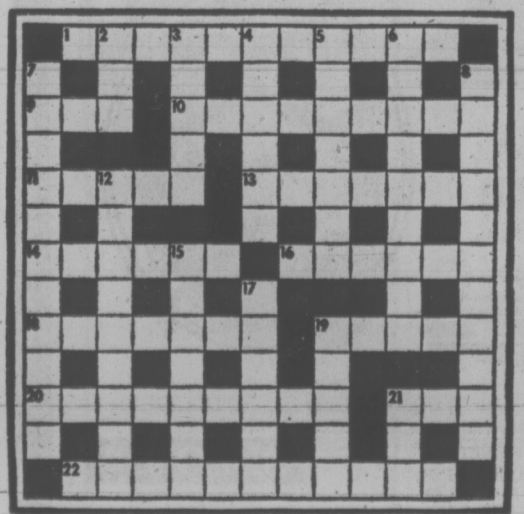
12 A sovereign art (9)

15 Making a loud noise and bringing a blade into the arena (7)

17 Mother returned with the pieces for the circuits (6)

19 Back in the choir, one talented vocalist (5)

21 Great bird is a feature of the sea-shore, we hear (3)

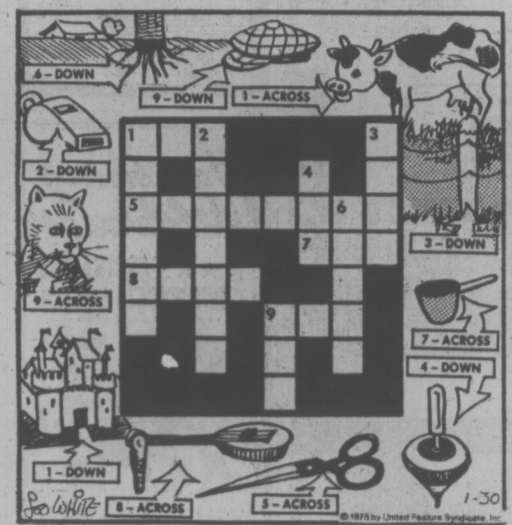


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ANSWERS: Across—1. COW, 5. SCISSORS, 7. POT, 8. LUTE, 9. CAT, Down—1. CASTLE, 2. WHISTLE, 3. POST, 4. TOP, 6. ROOTS, 9. CAP.

YOUR HOROSCOPE

Forecast for Friday, March 21

By SYDNEY OMARR

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Weight of added responsibility becomes apparent. Family involvements, business situations are emphasized. Cancer, Capricorn persons dominate scene. Check costs, building security and structure.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Highlight flexibility. Short trip could resolve dilemma. What appears an obstacle can easily be surmounted. Be willing to go around as well as directly over the top. Message will become increasingly clear.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You could be revising, checking details, studying fine print. Money is involved. Refuse to give up something for a mere promise. Obtain written agreement. Otherwise, you could lose both money and a friend. Be growup!

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Those who claim you need "more experience" may be forced to eat their words. Some changes occur which provide you with platform, greater chance to express yourself. You also will have additional assignment or responsibility.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Settle longstanding problem which involves family and property. You can do so in diplomatic manner. Stand tall — but be mature enough to make intelligent concessions. Taurus, Libra and Scorpio are involved.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Heavy-handed method by friend could create confusion. Strive for balanced point-of-view. Don't rush to judgment. Individual in question is suffering from financial embarrassment. Be considerate — don't compound your friend's error.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Persons in authority seem to desire your counsel. That's fine — but you are no charity. Be aware of your worth. Your own self-esteem is at stake. Unless you set a price and stick to it, you will be taken for granted. It's up to you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Finish what you start. Concentrate on messages, distribution and image. You can get green light from key person — but you will have to take roundabout steps. Means the usual sources won't bear fruit.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): New approach is necessary, especially where mate, partner and money are concerned. Strive to create your own style. If you insist on what appears a safe course, you will pay an inflated price. Leo, Aquarius are involved.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

19): If you stick out your chin, someone will land a knockout punch. Means cycle is such that you do best now on sidelines. Wait for call rather than volunteer. There are persons who have your number and are waiting to pull rug out from under you. Get firm grip — hang on!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Light touch gets best results. Means don't insist, force, cajole. Practical matters dominate, including employment and diet. Gemini, Sagittarius are likely to be in picture. A letter, which seems disconnected, could be important.

IF TODAY IS YOUR BIRTHDAY you are entering new phase of your life. You will be free and independent; July will be your most significant month. Leo, Aquarius persons are in your life and will remain. What you feel was lost is actually a gain — a proverbial blessing in disguise. You are inventive, sensitive and not everyone's cup of tea.

FUN WITH FIGURES

By J. A. H. HUNTER

Each letter stands for a different digit. Dried melon seeds have always been a popular appetizer in China, but this is quite an idea! One point to remember. The SEEDS here must be truly prime, so what do you make of it?

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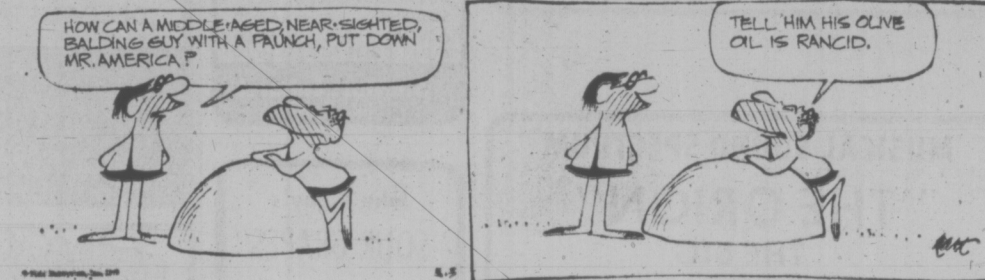
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Land Claim Decision Pending Dockworkers' Increase \$1.95 an Hour—Sun

PRINCE GEORGE (CP) — John Stokes, the provincial deputy minister of resources, said Wednesday a moratorium on development of lands claimed by the Nasko and Kluskus Indian bands is "still under study."

Stokes said no decision has been made on how to deal with the bands' announcement Tuesday that the Indians are claiming sole title to hundreds of square miles of the Blackwater and Nasko River watersheds of central B.C. The region begins about 50 miles west of Quesnel.

The Indians said Tuesday they would not allow government and industry to enter the area without permission and "unfortunate and unnecessary confrontations" would result if unauthorized activity occurred.

Stokes said he first heard of the bands' decisions on a radio news broadcast Wednesday morning and at that time had received no notification from the bands.

The bands have been opposing logging in the area since 1973 and last year they blocked construction of a logging road. Resources Minister Bob Williams ordered a three-month moratorium on further development of the area in May while studies were made.

Indians said that since then they have received "nothing but polite acknowledgments" concerning their demands.

The Indians said white residents would not be forced to leave the area, but applications for hay, grazing or other uses "of what is mistakenly called Crown land" are to be channelled through the Nasko band office.

The two bands have about 250 members.

Peking Frees Taiwanese Prisoners

PEKING (Reuter) — China has announced it is releasing 293 "war criminals" in a special amnesty — a move interpreted here as a new initiative on the problem of Taiwan.

The announcement that the prisoners — all but three of them nationalists — would be released, was accompanied by the Communist government's most moderate statement yet on the Taiwan issue.

It was seen by observers as an indication that China hopes for a peaceful and negotiated return to mainland control of the offshore island, ruled for 25 years by Chiang Kai-shek.

The announcement, issued by the New China news agency, said that among the 293 to be released were 219 armed forces officers, 21 party and government officials and 50 secret agents. The group also included two prisoners from "Manchukuo" — the Manchu state created by Japan in 1934 — and one from the Inner Mongolian autonomous government.

It was the first announced amnesty for prisoners.

No date was given for the releases.

"Those who wish to return to Taiwan may do so, and will be given adequate money for the travel and provided with conveniences, and whoever wishes to come back after going there will be welcome," an announcement said.

Observers noted that the phrase "we are determined to liberate Taiwan" — invariably used up to now in Peking's official statements on the Taiwan question — was absent from the announcement, signifying that the emphasis now is on reconciliation and negotiation rather than armed conflict.

VANCOUVER (CP) — The tentative contract negotiated by the B.C. Maritime Employers' Association and the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union includes a wage increase of \$1.95 an hour over two years, according to the Vancouver Sun.

The wage increase would be \$1.15 an hour this year and 80 cents an hour in 1976, the paper says.

The dock workers get time-

and-a-half rates for the afternoon shift and double time for the graveyard shift.

Base rate under the old contract was \$6.08 an hour.

The Sun says the tentative agreement reached last Sunday would delay a change in the clause governing the handling of containers, pending a detailed study of its effects.

Commenting on the Sun's report, Revenue Minister Ron

Basford in Ottawa welcomed Wednesday the terms of the proposed settlement and expressed the hope it will be accepted by both sides to end "a national tragedy."

Basford, in an interview, called "essential" the proposed study of the effects on traffic and jobs of the existing container clause, and stated that if the proposed agreement is not ratified, the federal government should undertake such a study on its own.

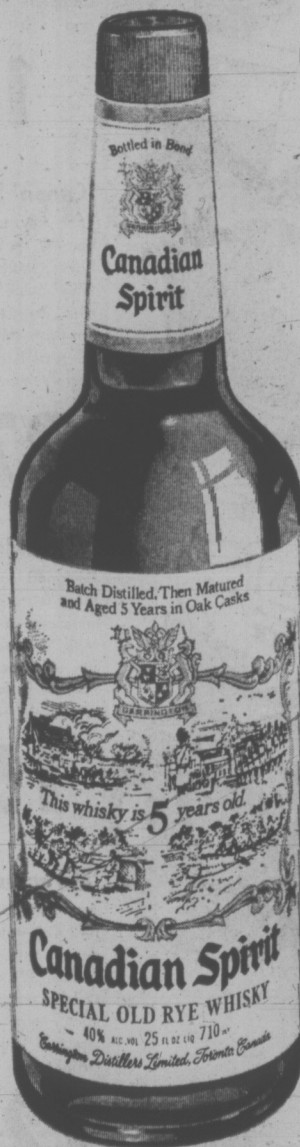
TANKER TUGBILL BACKED

OLYMPIA, Wash. (AP) — A bill that would require tugboat assistance for most supertankers operating in Puget Sound swept through the state house Wednesday on a 98-0 vote and was sent to the senate.

"This will provide a margin of safety in oil tanker operations in Puget Sound," said Rick Smith, Democratic representative for Bremerton, prime sponsor of the legislation.

Provisions of the bill would apply only to supertankers of 50,000 tons or more not having the following features: double hulls; twin propellers; shaft horsepower in the ratio of one horsepower to each 2½ deadweight tons; two radars in working order and such "other navigational position location systems as may be prescribed from time to time by the board of pilotage commissioners."

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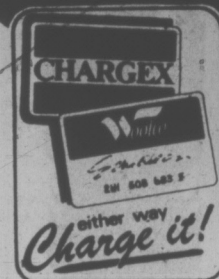
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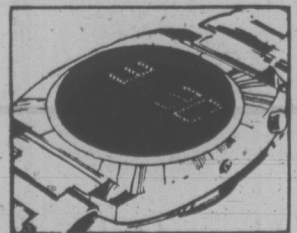
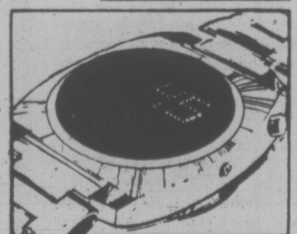
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'Escape or Die' —Convict

VANCOUVER (CP) — Escaped convict Donald Oag, 24, told a court Wednesday he fled custody Feb. 9 because it was "escape or die."

Oag pleaded guilty Wednesday in county court to two charges of unlawful confinement, a charge of escaping custody, possession of a dan-

gerous weapon, robbery, and breaking, entering and theft. He will be sentenced Friday.

Oag overpowered a prison guard after he was taken off a plane at Vancouver International Airport. He was being transferred to the B.C. Penitentiary in New Westminster,

from Millhaven prison near Kingston, Ont., where he was serving 12 years for manslaughter and armed robbery.

After 13 days at large, Oag was recaptured without a struggle.

In court, Oag told a story of almost four years of solitary confinement, despair over the

apparent lack of hope he would ever be allowed out, and three attempts to kill himself.

He said he escaped "because of what I'd been through in solitary."

Oag had slashed his arms with razors twice while in custody, and while in hospital for treatment for cuts, jumped out a window, breaking his back in three places.

He showed County Court Judge G. B. Ladner his arms — a mass of scars from wrist to armpit.

Oag, a native of London, Ont., said he was placed in solitary four years ago after he and 14 other prisoners pleaded guilty to manslaughter following the Kingston Penitentiary riot of 1971 in which two prisoners were killed.

He said his only part in the riot was to guard certain prison staff members.

He said he had been told he would never get out of solitary until his prison term expired in 1983.

When he and other prisoners were transferred to Millhaven following the riot, guards were waiting for them with clubs and beat them, he said.

"We had to run the gauntlet."

A Royal Commission report into the riot confirms that such beatings did occur. The report was produced at the hearing.

SEWAGE UNCLOGGED, SCHOOLS RE-OPEN

QUESNEL (CP) — The 2,000 students at the five schools in Quesnel school district returned to classes Wednesday after two days' holidays caused by problems with the town's sewage system.

Foreign objects — an old sheepskin coat and plastic bleach bottle partly filled with water — were found in the sewage pump, hole leading to a secondary treatment plant.

While three town supervisory employees worked on the system, it was decided to close the five schools because of large volumes of waste they normally send into the sewage system.

Town work crews, members of the Canadian Union of Public Employees are on strike.

The 33 outside workers, whose strike entered its 48th day today, voted Sunday to reject a request by the town that electricians be allowed to cross picket lines to work on the fouled sewage treatment plant equipment.

The supervisory staff completed the work Tuesday night, bypassing the normal pumps while drying the pump motors.

VANCOUVER (CP) — Agriculture Minister Dave Stupich wants to change the rules of B.C.'s dairy income assurance program and save the government about \$250,000 a month, according to the province.

The changes would amount to an estimated reduction of more than \$300 a month in assurance payments for about 1,200 dairymen throughout the province, the newspaper says.

VANCOUVER (CP) — Former lawyer Robert Johnston, 34, who shot up his home Oct. 5 and was flushed out by police tear gas canisters, was ordered Wednesday to stay away from liquor and guns. Johnston, who received a conditional discharge, pleaded guilty in provincial court to a charge of unlawful use of a firearm. Court was told the offence was an isolated incident involving alcohol.

HOUSTON (CP) The B.C. Forest Service is waging war against millions of pine bark beetles which have eaten about 1,000 acres of forest near this central community. Forestry officials say the beetle, now in its larvae stage, will develop wings in the summer and start to spread and call the current campaign an emergency situation.

VANCOUVER (CP) — Three youths knocked down Yu Chung Lam, 65, and stole her purse Wednesday. They got away with eight cents. The woman suffered a possible broken wrist and bruises.

VANCOUVER (CP) — The University of B.C. has received a \$500,000 grant from the 1907 foundation of New

Hope Held In Thomson, ITU Talks

KELOWNA (CP) — Negotiations between representatives of the Thomson British Columbia Newspapers Ltd. group and the International Typographical Union continued here Wednesday as only one paper in the group, the Nanaimo Free Press, published on time.

Charles Stewart, the provincial mediator, said, "as long as the negotiations continue there is hope for a settlement." Spokesmen for the two sides were unavailable for comment.

Meanwhile a strike by pressmen at the Kamloops Sentinel affected all but one of the five Thomson papers Wednesday. Spokesmen at the Kelowna Courier and the Vernon News said the papers would not go out Wednesday because of work stoppages by pressmen there. A spokesman at the Penticton Herald said a work stoppage was in progress and it was unlikely the paper would go to press.

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York City to expand its transportation education programs. The foundation is supported primarily by grants from the United Parcel Service. The university said the grant is the first of its kind to a Canadian university.

VANCOUVER (CP) — Three men scooped close to \$6,000 from four cash drawers Wednesday after holding up a west end branch of the Toronto Dominion Bank. Police said witnesses said one of the trio was armed with a

shotgun and the robbers forced customers to lie on the floor.

VANCOUVER (CP) — City council voted Tuesday to approve a proposed \$3.5 million expansion of the Pacific National Exhibition's racetrack grandstand.

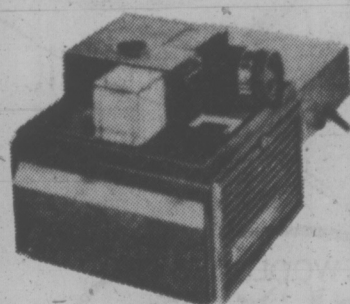
The PNE's proposal would have costs shared 72 per cent by the B.C. jockey club and 28 per cent by the PNE. The extension would increase seating capacity to 4,500 seats from 3,200.

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BATTERED CAR resting on patio outside the Victoria Press Ltd. cafeteria Wednesday night gives curious onlookers food for thought. The car, driven by Vic Weber, 29, of 3147 Mars, grazed a telephone

pole and crashed over the eight-foot embankment following a collision on Douglas with a pick-up truck. Mars was unhurt. (John McKay photo)

Crackdown On Opposition By South Korea

TOKYO (WP) — President Park Chung Hee of South Korea is beginning another crackdown on his domestic opposition. This time the method is a new law, rammed through the National Assembly Wednesday, forbidding Koreans to "damage the prestige" of Park or his government in conversations with foreigners or statements to foreign correspondents.

Government party judiciary committee members approved the new measure in a secret committee meeting, and 130 government-controlled legislators voted it into law behind locked doors of a lounge in the assembly building, according to news reports from Seoul.

Park's forces took these manoeuvres to thwart a sit-in staged by opposition party members to block enactment of the measure.

Early last year, Park imprisoned more than 200 of his domestic opponents via "emergency presidential decrees" and closed door military tribunals. His moves only temporarily quelled the criticism at home and fanned widespread dismay in friendly countries abroad.

In December, the U.S. Congress voted to withhold \$200 million in military assistance from Korea until President Ford certified that the country was making progress toward implementation of universal recognized human rights.

Park released 143 of the political prisoners a month ago in a gesture to domestic and world opinion. He reportedly told aides at the time that it had been a mistake to employ emergency decrees and military courts martial — and

that next time he would use ordinary statutes and court procedures.

The newly-adopted measure is an amendment to South Korea's criminal statutes. The law provides up to seven years imprisonment for anyone damaging the "security, national interest or prestige" of Korea by criticizing the government. One section makes particular mention of those who utter criticism to foreigners, and the sponsors have emphasized this point. Park was gone out his way to condemn publicly "misinformation" given, foreigners. This has been particularly so since he was confronted with growing antipathy in the U.S. Congress and Japanese governmental and public opinion.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARGARET EVELYN ELKINGTON, late of 572 Island Road, Victoria, B.C., DECEASED.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that creditors and others having claims against the estate of the above-named deceased are hereby required to send them to the undersigned Executors at P.O. Box 380, Victoria, B.C. V8W 2B6 before the 15th of April, 1975, after which date the Executors will distribute the said estate amongst the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have received notice.

THE ROYAL TRUST COMPANY and ERIC H. W. ELKINGTON, Executors by CREASE & COMPANY Solicitors.

Eastern Paper Mill Shuts Down

CORNWALL, Ont. (CP) — Domtar Fine Papers Ltd. has announced a one-week shutdown of all production units at the plant beginning March 20. All but 200 of 1,350 employees will be laid off.

In a news release, the company blamed the shutdown on "continued slack demand for pulp and paper both in domestic and export markets."

The company is Cornwall's largest employer.

Operations will resume April 7 on a five-day operating schedule.

The shutdown is the second within four months. Domtar's six paper machines shut down for two weeks at Christmas and returned on a five-day work week. They previously had operated on a seven-day week.

Burned Diver Identified

A diver who was burned to death in a decompression chamber Tuesday at Nanaimo has been identified as Norman MacDonald of North Vancouver.

MacDonald died, RCMP said, when a spark ignited the chamber that was filled with pure oxygen. MacDonald had been working in water more than 200 feet deep off the MacMillan Bloedel Ltd. Harmer pulp mill and died after decompression after the dive.

Woman Hurt In Accident

Mrs. Florence Goldie, 64, of Sooke is in poor condition in Victoria General Hospital today following a two-car accident at 2:40 p.m. Wednesday at the intersection of Grant and West Coast roads in Sooke.

Mrs. Goldie was the driver of one of the cars, the other vehicle was driven by Ronald Berry, 22, also of Sooke. Berry was not injured.

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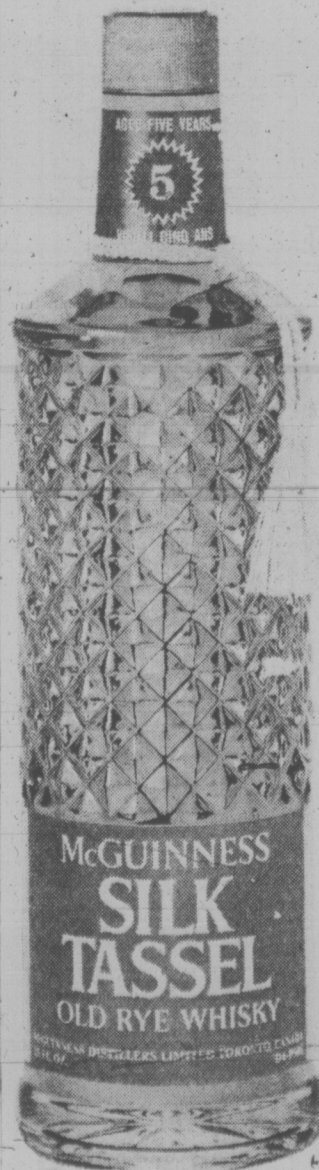
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Cambodia Rebels Pushed Back

Times News Services
PHNOM PENH — Government paratroops today drove back a force of 400 insurgents trying to establish artillery and mortar bases three miles from the heart of Phnom Penh. More rockets hit the capital, three landing just outside the fortress-like U.S. embassy.

One of the Chinese-made rockets sprayed shrapnel through a main gate in the wall surrounding the embassy building. There were no injuries.

Military sources said the insurgents had infiltrated into the area just across the Mekong River from Phnom Penh in hopes of installing some howitzers and mortars which are far more accurate and far more deadly than the rockets which have little or no accuracy when fired from five or six miles away.

The remaining six staff members of the British embassy in Phnom Penh packed communications equipment and belongings for an unpublicized departure to Saigon planned for Friday aboard one of the U.S. planes in the emergency airlift that is keeping the city alive.

Departure of the six British officials will temporarily close the embassy here, a

move which embassy sources said was being taken because of the overall security situation. The diplomats will remain in Saigon, the sources said.

Political sources said the impasse over a cabinet reshuffle sought by President Lon Nol remained unbroken

for the ninth day. The sources said the problem was caused by the president's efforts to dictate composition of the cabinet.

The 62-year-old, stroke-ridden president at first indicated he would consider a face-saving resignation, but later hardened his position

and remained determined to stay in power, they added.

His opponents feel a new leader would have a better chance of getting more military aid from the United States.

About 500 university students in Phnom Penh held another rally against U.S. aid to the Lon Nol regime, the second in two days.

The students said more aid would only prolong the war and lead the country to collapse.

The students also demanded that Nol resign.

Dog Packs Killing 'Hundreds' of Deer

NANAIMO — Roaming packs of dogs are killing Vancouver Island deer at a rate which poses a serious problem says Des Haddleton, regional provincial fish and wildlife protection officer.

Haddleton said no exact numbers have been recorded of deer killed or dying as a result of dog attacks, but "it could easily be in the hundreds."

The lack of adequate municipal legislation to deal with the situation of control over roaming dogs is hampering the efforts of fish and wildlife

officers to control the problem, he said.

Haddleton said the problem extends throughout Vancouver Island, with the highest incidence just outside communities. He estimated 80 per cent of the dogs in Greater Nanaimo are not under proper control, leading to the needless killing of wildlife.

He called upon Nanaimo and other city councils to introduce special dog control bylaws. The fish and wildlife branch recently has advertised dogs roaming in packs or chasing deer legally can be shot outright by a conservation or police officer.

Alert Bay Asks Ferry Boost

CAMPBELL RIVER — A suggestion that Alert Bay become a regular stop on the Prince Rupert-Kelsey Bay ferry run was endorsed by 75 delegates to the convention of Associated Chambers of Commerce of Vancouver Island here.

In a brief presented the Alert Bay Board of Trade pointed out that Alert Bay could become a tourist centre because of its north Island location and diversity of culture.

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Sportswear, Dept. 248, Floor of Fashion

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Teen's shoes, leather or patent. Blue, brown, black. 5-10 coll. **2 pr. 18.00 or 9.99 pr.**

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Men's Furnishings, Dept. 428, Main Floor

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Men's Shoes, Dept. 237, Main Floor

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Children's Shoes, Dept. 238, Floor of Fashion

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Rowntree's bars, assorted chocolate bars, 20 per bag. Great treats. bag, **99¢** Chocolate bars, 6 chocolate covered bars from Finland per tray, 3 flavours. **69¢**

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One-a-day Vitamins, vitamins for the entire family. 100's. **2.39** or Plus Iron 100's. **2.79**

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Aspirin, good to have on hand to help relieve minor aches and pains. 200. **1.43**

Vaseline bath beads, lightly scented, non-greasy emollient blend. 16 oz. **1.27**

Vaseline Intensive Care Lotion. Helps soften, silken rough dry skin. 400 ml. **1.39**

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Fruit candles. Large size realistic fruit shapes. 4" high. Imported. **99¢**

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Stationery, Dept. 208, Lower Main Floor

HARDWARE

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AM radio, simplified installation **39.95**

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Automotives, Dept. 263, Lower Main Floor

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Sporting Goods, Dept. 261, Lower Main Floor

CHILDREN'S WEAR

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Plastic mattress cover, white, water-resistant, contour corners. Double. **2.49**

Table cover, flannel back, vinylal, top, pink or blue floral. 52" x70". **3.99**

Men's Pants, Eaton's casuals. Blue, green or beige, 65% polyester/35% cotton. 36-42. **5.99**

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Downstairs Budget Store, Lower Main Floor

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Zig zag Husqvarna, 1 only **349.00**

2000 series Husqvarna, 1 only **549.00**

Sewing Machines, Dept. 578, Third Floor

Spring things happen Fri. and Sat. at Eaton's!

Yes, Spring blossoms forth in a burst of yellow daffodils throughout the store. And, amidst the blooms, there'll be special events for you to see, special savings for you to enjoy. Welcome Spring in style, at Eaton's, March 21st and 22nd.

Spring brings lots of things to see and hear...

SEE Spring Fashions, live models will be strolling through our Floor of Fashion as well as our 3rd and main floors between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. See them wearing some of the newest Spring Fashions first — downtown at Eaton's!

Esquimalt — the band in the mall HEAR the Esquimalt Senior Secondary Band, conducted by Jerry Bryant, 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. Saturday only, in the Broad Street mall.

things to do to save money...

turn the page — check through each item featured on our Bonus Days Special page — then shop Friday and Saturday for Spring things that will really trim your budget! Friday 9:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (if quantities last).

Revive jaded winter taste buds with something new... things to taste

Victoria Room buffet brings the first taste of spring to downtown Victoria Friday and Saturday.

"Sunny Days Salad" with pineapple, strawberries, oranges and more (all fresh fruit). Special. 2.15
Victoria Room Buffet, 4th floor.

Sionon demonstration — some sweet news for Spring. Sionon, a sugar substitute will be discussed by a representative in our fine foods area, lower main floor: Friday 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

things to learn — on Eaton's 3rd floor experts in home crafts show you their skills

Miss A. Nicol — Belding Corticelli will demonstrate the art of needlepoint Friday and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Wool department, 3rd floor.

Mrs. D. Evans will inspire you to some new knitting and crocheting projects with her demonstrations... Friday and Saturday, 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the Wool department, 3rd floor.

Spring is... a fresh daffodil given away at the Douglas Street door between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Friday ONLY.

Things to WIN

You could win new spring fashions when you enter our "Spring comes first to Downtown" fashion draw. Come to our "Popular Priced Sportswear" department on the 3rd floor, pick up and fill out an entry form. When you deposit it in the barrel you could be on your way to winning Spring Fashion merchandise prizes. Draw will be made Monday, March 31st. Eaton employees and their immediate family not eligible.

Count the Candy Contest

March 21st to March 29th

Our bunny's gone and eaten too many candies again! You could win a prize by guessing correctly the number of candies in his clear plastic tummy.

First prize 25.00 Eaton Scrip
Second prize 15.00 Eaton Scrip
Third prize 5.00 Eaton Scrip

Contest open to children up to 12. Look for entry forms and our bunny in the Children's wear, 3rd floor.

Spring comes first to downtown



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Firemen Going Trendy?

Victoria city firemen want new-style informal dress uniforms but they don't want peaked caps or any other type of headwear, which could clash with today's trendy hair styles.

Fire Chief Eric Simmons told city aldermen today that the Victoria firefighters have requested the new uniforms as one of their proposals in contract negotiations now under way.

As he showed the fire committee rough sketches of the suggested style of dress — a complete departure from the present military-type uniforms — there were some raised eyebrows and jokes, but no actual opposition.

However, the committee asked the fire chief to produce a more definite sample before any decision is made, and to consult with other municipal fire departments in Greater Victoria concerning the possibility of having standardized uniforms.

Simmons explained that the firefighters would like to replace the present dark-blue trousers and double-breasted jacket with double-knit pants and a dress shirt with badge on the shoulder.

In summer the shirt would be short-sleeved and worn open-neck style, while in winter it would be a long-sleeved version worn with tie under a light nylon jacket.

For more formal occasions "such as the firemen's ball," the nylon jacket would be replaced with a blazer bearing the department's crest on the pocket.

Simmons said in part the suggestions had arisen out of problems involving the length of hair.

"They like to wear their hair fairly long and thick these days and it certainly doesn't go along with caps," he added.

Aldermen agreed with that point, noting the caps worn by postmen with Afro hair styles tend to look absurd.

Grain Workers Spurning Pact

PRODUCTION DOWN FOR SEVENTH MONTH

OTTAWA (TNS)—The level of industrial production was down further in January and activity now is where it was in late summer of 1973, Statistics Canada reported.

The agency reported that its index of industrial production was down 1.9 per cent in January. This index counts volume of production and discounts the effects of price inflation.

The index has declined for seven consecutive months.

Heavy manufacturing and

mining had the sharpest drops in January.

There was a 14.4-per-cent drop in production in transportation equipment industries. The big factor here is car production.

The index for electrical products, which includes home appliances, was down 4.7 per cent.

Meanwhile the U.S. government reported today that consumer prices rose six-tenths of a per cent in February, despite the smallest rise in food prices in seven months.

Bank Report Hits Wage Hike Race

By PETER THOMSON
Times Ottawa Bureau

OTTAWA — Anyone gaining a wage or salary increase today is taking it out of someone else's pocket because the economy is not producing any more, Bank of Canada Governor Gerald Bouey stated yesterday.

And he warned that the continuing race for wage and salary increases is running Canada into a serious economic situation where everyone could suffer a reduction in standard of living.

In his annual report to the Minister of Finance, Bouey said that wage and salary increases are a major factor in the rapid increases in costs in Canada.

"There is, in fact, an open race going on between various

groups for larger increases in money incomes.

"Since the race is occurring in a period in which there is no real increase in average real income per capita being achieved in the economy, none of the participants can gain except at the expense of others," Bouey said.

He said the seeking of higher incomes is "self-reinforcing" because even the less aggressive groups in society feel compelled to assert themselves for fear of falling far behind.

The process is self-defeating, Bouey stated, because the faster one group runs, the faster other groups run to gain and hold a lead.

"Meanwhile, the process is socially divisive and economically counter-productive," he said.

The governor, who is one of the two principle advisers to the finance minister, said that industries might not be able to pass on higher wage costs to customers.

Those industries — facing foreign competition, at home or abroad, face the prospect of becoming less competitive vis-a-vis foreign suppliers.

This situation could lead to reduced production, higher per-unit costs, and still less chance of competing with foreign industries.

"The escalation of costs is seriously hindering rational investment planning or which the longer term prosperity of the economy depends," he said.

Macdonald, who has set up a three-member committee which includes VSE representative David Huberman to look at all regulations of the exchange.

"We want to approve or disapprove of regulations. We are concerned that the listings are legitimate ventures for the public to invest in," said Macdonald.

Another cause for concern, he said, is the ease with which new listings are put on the exchange.

Times News Services

Although mail was moving normally around the country today, an enormous backlog of export grain remains to be tackled following a tentative settlement of the wage dispute that brought on more than a month of revolving strikes by federal blue-collar workers.

However, the bottleneck on grain exports on the west coast remained plugged as Vancouver seamen and samplers in elevators went to a "study session" to consider the pay deal and longshoremen there remained out on a separate strike.

And in Thunder Bay, grain workers voted to reject the proposed contract.

They had borne the brunt of the strike and deserved more than the \$600 retroactive bonus the contract offers to all GLT workers, they claimed.

The striking PSAC members in Victoria returned to work this morning, but the recommended contract settlement isn't popular with the union members, regional representative Tom Dalzell said today.

"The members are pretty disgusted with it — to be out on strike so long and gain so little," Dalzell said.

There are about 600 general, labor and trades group employees in Victoria, but not all were involved in the rotating strike plan.

The federal operations affected most in Victoria were the Ogden Point grain elevator and the transport ministry marine services base on Harbour Road.

A ratification vote on the contract will be carried out now. Results are expected on the weekend.

The tentative settlement arrived at through mediation, would provide the 15,600 PSAC members with a 29.35-per-cent raise over a 26-month contract.

Strongest dissatisfaction with the wage settlement was expressed in the Atlantic provinces, where Larry Wallace, president of a PSAC local at the Canadian Forces base in Gagetown, N.B., said he and other union officials are meeting today to consider voting non-confidence in the union's bargaining team.

"Our negotiators have sold us down the river," said Wallace, who is also president of a PSAC council representing 109 locals in the eastern provinces. "We are very disgusted with this," he added.

In Ottawa, PSAC personnel went back to work but a spokesman said it is expected the membership ratification vote on the agreement worked out with the treasury board will be close.

The department's new Crime Law Enforcement unit has outlined problems in the stock exchange. CLEU is looking at practices of puffing up and cornering shares.

"There's too many horses (businesses) allowed to run," said the attorney-general. "Some of them should have been left out to pasture."

The government intends to ensure that the VSE achieves a good reputation and make sure it is successful. People

have to believe in its reputation, he said.

Chief concern, however, is insider trading which has been a problem, although not a major one.

Macdonald said the legislation allows the superintendent of brokers, appointed by the government, to designate remedies for the victim of insider trading.

The pertinent section provides: "That every insider of a corporation or associate or affil-

Times News Services

SAIGON — An entire North Vietnamese division led by tanks invaded the extreme northern section of South Vietnam today, immediately overrunning Quang Tri.

At least eight provinces, almost half the country, are now under Communist domination and several more are threatened.

The stunning military setbacks brought a mass evacuation of more than a million refugees, apparently being carried out with full compliance of the Communists. Viet Cong troops gathered on Highway 7 in the Central Highlands and waved at one 60-mile-long convoy of fearful people.

The latest province to fall was Binh Long, 60 miles north of Saigon and bordering

Phuoc Long which fell in January. The Binh Long capital of An Loc withstood one of the heaviest sieges of this or any other war — 7,000 rounds of artillery fire a day for six months. Today the residents of An Loc packed up and left.

The Communist forces are now moving south toward Hue, amid moderate-to-heavy fighting.

Hue itself and the entire 80-mile stretch of South Vietnam from Quang Tri south to Da Nang are being abandoned by the government.

The loss of Quang Tri and Hue, coming on top of the abandonment of the Central Highlands, constitutes the most rapid and disastrous military setback for the Thieu regime in the history of the war.

Never before have major

population centres been abandoned with only token fighting.

South of Da Nang, the government is evacuating three heavily populated districts — Que Son, Duo Duc, and Dai Loc.

There is difficulty in the evacuation, however, because the Communists have cut off Route 1 about 15 miles south of Da Nang, possibly trapping tens of thousands of people before their advancing armies.

"We think that the battle for Hue will not be long in coming," said a government official, indicating that although the government believes it will lose the city, it will not give it away without some fighting.

The same strategy is apparently being followed in the

Highlands, where about a division or less of government troops is being left to harass the Communists.

Sources said Pleiku and Kontum cities have been declared free fire zones. More than 50 bombing sorties over the highlands have destroyed 100 planes, oil depots, ammunition dumps and other important government positions, sources said.

"We're following a scorched-earth policy line the Russians used against Hitler," said one government official.

President Nguyen Van Thieu was scheduled to address the nation on television Wednesday night but cancelled the broadcast without explanation.

One government official

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RUSH HOUR TRAFFIC fills more than the streets in downtown Victoria these days. Clouds of starlings come to roost about supertime in trees along

Belleville Street near Empress Hotel. There's a difference though. Despite numbers and absence of traffic signals, they never collide.

—John McKay photo

U.S. Firms May Get Jobs In Gov't Dredging Dilemma

Fischer Bows Out

BERGEN (AP) — World chess champion Bobby Fischer said today he will not meet Soviet challenger Anatoly Karpov in a scheduled \$5-million title match.

Fischer said earlier he would not defend the title unless both of his proposals for changes in the scoring system for the title match are accepted by FIDE.

The congress Wednesday accepted one of Fischer's demands — for an unlimited number of drawn games — but rejected a change that would allow Fischer to keep the title in event of a nine-nine tie.

The developments virtually insure that Karpov will become world champion by default.

Several of the companies charged in the dredging case were involved in a \$21 million transport department contract

OTTAWA (CP) — American dredging companies may get government business because of the dredging scandal.

Public Works Minister C. M. Drury told the Commons public works committee Wednesday that this is one of several alternatives his department is studying even though Canadian workers could be affected.

"We are looking at a greater degree of centralization of all dredging operations under one department rather than having a number of departments and independent harbor commissions responsible for their own dredging," Drury said.

Under current departmental policy only Canadian corporations may bid for dredging contracts and use equipment of Canadian registry.

Replying to James McGrath (PC-St. John's East), Drury said that because some Canadian companies have been charged with criminal conspiracy on some contracts did not necessarily mean that the government "isn't able to get them to continue to work provided the costs are adequately controlled."

Max Saltzman (NDP-Waterloo-Grandview) said the government should set up a crown corporation to handle government dredging contracts.

Transport Minister Jean Marchand has already indicated he thinks the idea is worth considering.

The problem with the government doing all its own dredging is that it would be saddled with idle equipment for much of the year, he said. This was uneconomic.

Some public works dredging contracts still are being carried out on the west coast.

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Superprize To Canadian ... Again

DUBLIN (CP) — J. P. Proulx of Hinton, Alta, today won the Irish Hospitals Sweepstake "superprize" of £200,000 (about \$460,000) in its draw of the Lincolnshire Handicap.

This is the tenth time a Canadian has won the major prize.

In Hinton, Proulx said he plans to ask for a leave of absence from his \$300-a-week job cutting trees.

He and his wife had not yet decided what to do with the money. But Proulx said that, as the Olympic lottery agent in Hinton, he is accustomed to handling large amounts of money.

The ticket was pulled out of a drum at the start of the draw for holders of horses in the Lincolnshire.

A DUEL OF WORDS IN QUEEN'S HONOR

A duel will be fought in Toronto this spring between William Hamilton, the British politician, and sword-master Patrick Crean, who challenged Hamilton over his "scurrilous" book on the royal family.

The weapons will be words. Crean, in Victoria for his show The Sun Never Sets at the McPherson Playhouse tonight, said he heard of Hamilton's acceptance today.

Being the challenged, Hamilton had the choice of weapons.

"His weapon will be his tongue," Crean said. "I'm in the nature of being rather like Malcolm in Macbeth. I have no weapon, my voice is my sword."

He and Hamilton would undoubtedly discuss the politician's book, Crean said.

"I'm sure it will be very interesting and we'll get along famously, probably having lunch afterwards in spite of our differences of opinion."

What are Crean's chances of winning?

"It will be an honor to be even defeated with words if the defeat is for my queen," Crean said.

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Jail Terms Urged for Insider Trading

Insider trading on the Vancouver Stock Exchange will become a criminal offence subject to a \$2,000 fine or one year in jail under legislation introduced by the provincial government Wednesday.

One of four bills submitted by Attorney-General Alex Macdonald, the Securities Amendment Act also provides that the government must approve any changes in the rules of the Vancouver Stock Exchange.

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Chief concern, however, is insider trading which has been a problem, although not a major one.

Macdonald said the legislation allows the superintendent of brokers, appointed by the government, to designate remedies for the victim of insider trading.

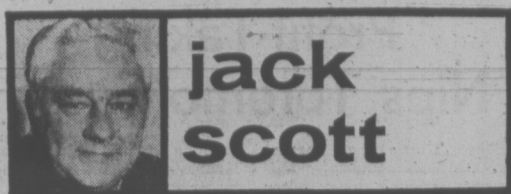
The pertinent section provides: "That every insider of a corporation or associate or affil-

ate of the insider, who makes use of any specific confidential information for his own benefit, that, if generally known, might reasonably be expected to affect the material value of securities, is liable."

Those found guilty of infractions may be directed to compensate for loss suffered by an individual or company, and face the fine.

The first major piece of legislation to be introduced this

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The Towers of the City: All of the Charm Is Gone

On our way to the ferry Sunday night our Vancouver host, Harry Filion, detoured for a quick tour of the West End and I can't remember when I was so sure that a city had gone appallingly wrong.

If my own attitude seems to harden in the future about highrises and towering apartment complexes — though I'm still not certain in my own mind if it's better to go out than to go up, if you must go at all — I expect that tour will be the reason. I have defended highrises in the past, mainly because I abhor those ugly, three-storeyed apartment blocks, but when you have seen the cliff-dwelling West End, especially when you've not really seen it for several years, it may prejudice you forever against these soaring ledges.

Like James Bay, where we lived briefly when we first elected Victoria as our home, we never knew the West End in the days of its grandeur. When we first moved there it was today's disaster.

In the beginning there were the great homes of the well-to-do, massive, many-roomed with their cupolas and gingerbread and wide porches and hedges, built for big families and the full life. Then, when the well-to-do moved on to Shaughnessy or the fashionable slopes of Kerrisdale, the old homes gradually became rooming houses and boarding houses, identifiable by wooden fire escapes leading to their upper floors. Yet the atmosphere of that part of the city remained substantially unchanged. There was an elegance and a quality of permanence all its own.

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Because we moved to other parts, we were spared watching the indignity of the wrecker's ball leveling these heritages to the past to make way for the concrete monstrosities and the faceless way of life they represent, though we knew it was only a question of time before that would happen.

This is a cycle that seems to occur in every large city — I have seen it myself, in Fort Rouge in Winnipeg, in Rosemount in Toronto, in parts of Montreal's Westmount, right here, in James Bay. Every district which was once the preserve of the wealthy is eventually inherited by the roomer and boarder and, finally, the apartment dweller.

It is perfectly true, of course, that our loathing for what we saw was fiercer by a nostalgia for the past, that we were repelled not merely by what we saw, but by our memories.

I associate the West End with youth and struggle and the unique companionship of sharing both. It was a place of transition for all ages, but particularly so for young men and women who had made a break with home and family. Now, as Harry drove us about, I looked in vain for that first rooming house where I lived as an assertion of my independence and the power of a \$12 a week paycheck. It had been swallowed up by the reaching growth of steel and cement, gone forever.

That fine old rambling home was much in my mind as we drove through the canyons of the area. Any kind of simple history of the people who had lived in just that one house would make the most massive Thomas Wolfe novel seem a pale essay.

There was, in that old, gracious barn, a constant procession of tenants of all descriptions, the earnest and the ne'er-do-well, the brilliant and the ignorant, the dreamer and the realist, yet bound by the common experience of intense personal conflict with life.

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You could not help but be involved with your neighbors. I remember the hollow-eyed young man down the hall whose saxophone wailed four hours a night, always, it seemed, playing "Ramona." I remember the day the cops came and the discovery that the gentle youth in the next room was a stick-up artist. I remember the soft step on the fire escape as Romeo departed from his rendezvous with the Juliet who lived at the top. The touches for a dollar loan. The Sunday afternoon when the sound of the New York Philharmonic, conducted by Arturo Toscanini, filled the house. The philosophic discussions late into the night, a marriage of big talk and cheap wine. The West End was then not simply a place to live. It was a way to live.

It seems only yesterday when that part of the city possessed an Old World Atmosphere, a feeling of age and the echo of other times that surely had a mellowing effect on all of us. Like Chelsea, for example, the West End had a quality of what we used to call bohemianism, of a great many people jammed in together yet without sacrificing their individualism as it must be sacrificed in the apartment rabbit-warrens of today.

There was no great concern with keeping up with the Jones'. A man might have the blessing of absolute privacy, if that's what he wanted, though he might share the same gabled roof with a dozen others.

When my wife and I were first married we lived in one such room—a room-and-a-half, really, since there was a cupboard that passed as a kitchen. They were the lean years and I've thought since that only in the West End could we have enjoyed those first years without a painful awareness of privation. The park was close by and the beach, as well. We walked under the leafy shade trees in summer and the West End was kind to us, as it has been to so many others.

Almost everybody we saw during Harry's quick tour was young and perhaps, in that sense, the West End has not lost its meaning, but in every other way it seemed to me as impersonal and characterless as a machine.

Speedy Mail Minus Code

By LIZ HUGHES
Times Staff

The word "boycott" placed on the front of an envelope instead of the postal code will insure speedy mail handling in the Victoria post office, a union spokesman said Wednesday.

Stan Darling, spokesman for the 200 Victoria members of the Canadian Union of Postal Workers, said a piece of mail with the postal code on it will be delayed, but the word "boycott" will speed it through the postal system.

CUPW members across Canada have been conducting a boycott of the postal code for some time, but today is a "special push" and postal union members all over Canada are handing out leaflets and bumper stickers asking Canadians to support the boycott.

Leaflets for the Victoria area were delayed in Ottawa but bumper stickers will be distributed.

Frank Walden, national CUPW representative for the

Western region, said today the government's automatic and mechanization program in the post office will not work without the use of the postal code.

"We're not against that automation, but we want to be able to negotiate with the post office about technological change."

The Canada Labor Code, which covers such employees as Canadian Broadcasting Corporation workers and airline employees, guarantees unions the right to negotiate about technological change issues, Walden said.

But the Public Service Staff Relations Act, which regulates the postal workers union, does not allow any negotiation on the automation process.

Postal workers across the country voted this week in favor of contract demands that include a 30-hour work week, additional vacation leave, early retirement provisions and the right to negotiate technological change.

PRESSURE PLANNED ON BOTH SIDES

Students Moving Into Dispute

By AB KENT
Times Staff

Greater Victoria high school students are on the verge of taking a direct part in the public employee dispute that has cut back school hours for 3½ weeks.

At a meeting Wednesday

with leaders of striking janitors' Local 382, Canadian Union of Public Employees, students from senior secondary schools in District 61 said a petition is circulating to bring pressure on the parties to reach a settlement.

Dan Williams, chairman of

the Inter-High Council of student associations, said if the dispute goes on and students continue to suffer short classroom hours, there could be further action and "soon students intend to get very involved in this."

He and 14 other delegates

from Victoria High, Oak Bay and Mount Douglas secondary schools (others indicated interest but did not appear) asked for the meeting with the school maintenance union, which was represented by Earl Turnquist, vice-president Bob Cunningham and Fred

Newell, a member of the negotiating committee.

One girl said the halls in her school were "a pigsty" and complained the school administration gave her the run-around when she tried to organize students to do some cleanup work.

"You walk over the garbage," another girl said.

Cunningham told the group the administration is buck-passing because it fears setting a precedent in which if a student became injured the district may be sued.

"But if you just went ahead and did it I don't know what they could do about it," he said.

Williams said the Inter-High Council was concerned that if the labor minister stepped in to "order a settlement of the controversy" "the whole thing can break open again" at some later time.

Cunningham said if a binding settlement were imposed the sides would have to adhere to it. But he noted there could be negotiations toward a new contract within nine months, assuming this dispute is settled shortly.

Turnquist cautioned students from the start of the meeting that it was purely for information.

"We're not here to try and brainwash you."

Students could put pressure on both sides if they wanted to start a petition, he said. It was then the delegates said they had already initiated a petition.

"Wonderful," Turnquist replied. "The public listens to students a lot more than people think they do. We know, the minister of education knows that you people are the leaders of tomorrow."

He urged copies of the petition get into the hands of every principal and every member of the board of trustees.

Students pointed out they are the victims of the shortened school day; that the university won't take into consideration the fact they have had less instruction than they should when it comes time to apply for university entrance.

"I'm not here to tell you the union has been 100 per cent right," Turnquist said. "We have made it known the unions are prepared to sit down around the clock to reach a settlement."

Cunningham said the school board is using the students and saying that janitors are "responsible for your education."

Janitors had differed with the board and teachers in that they saw no reason why the students could not get a full day's instruction.

If the schools get dirty, the health board will close them down, a student observed. Another said students had been told if they did their own cleaning, the teachers would refuse to work.

Cunningham said that was ridiculous because volunteers were already cleaning and teachers were still reporting for duty.

Purpose of the mass picketing tactic was to draw public attention and pressure for serious negotiations," Cunningham said. He also said it was membership frustration over negotiating delays that led to the strike in the first place, when members rejected an executive recommendation to stay on the job.

"If we'd had a secret ballot I think we'd still be on the job," he said, referring to the meeting that voted 160-31 to go on strike Feb. 24.

He said the local had offered to accept a \$5.35-an-hour base rate for janitors, which would have brought agreement although the figure had been rejected by city of Victoria janitors, but the board was willing to go only to \$5.20 an hour. Meanwhile, the area bargaining concept was introduced and both sides are bound to it.

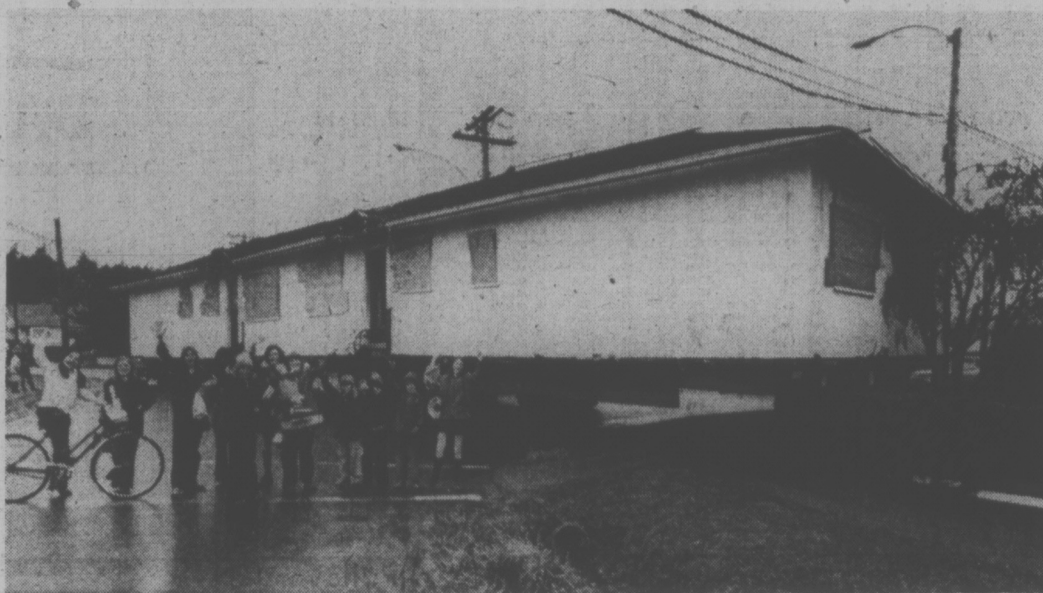
"If we could go back to individual bargaining I think we could come to an agreement," Cunningham said.

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SECOND SECTION



TURNING THE CORNER at Burnside and Mari-gold today for crew moving this duplex produced impromptu roadblock which fascinated children. There just wasn't enough room so Sea-Land House

Moving and Demolition Co. had to jack trailer to swing load. Building was moved from Cook and Oscar where an apartment is being built. (Bill Halkett photo)

SPCA Fee High?

Victoria's finance committee today asked the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals to explain why the organization wants a \$20,000 increase this year to operate the city's animal pound.

For the last two years the fee has been \$23,000 but for 1975 the SPCA has asked the city to raise the figure to \$43,250.

Committee chairman Ald. Alf Hood told aldermen he had met with SPCA officials and made a counter-offer of \$27,500 — a 20 per cent increase — but this was flatly rejected.

"They say they are operating at a loss as far as the pound service is concerned and they are not prepared to continue on that basis," said Hood.

"In fact, the provincial body are seriously considering getting out of the pound business right across the province."

If that happens, he said, consideration will have to be given to operating a pound service either jointly by the four core municipalities or through the regional district system.

Meanwhile, the city should think about revising its schedule of fees and penalties in an effort to reduce costs.

Officials were instructed to seek clarification from SPCA manager Dave Beeching.

Visitor's Sightseeing Mostly Walls of Jail

Ramesh Singh came to Canada to see the sights Wednesday but after five frantic hours' only ended up seeing the walls of the Victoria police jail.

Later today, it is expected he will be deported back to the U.S. An immigration hearing was scheduled for 3 p.m.

Singh, who arrived on the noon PWA flight from Seattle, aroused the suspicion of immigration officials at Victoria International Airport.

They were arranging for a special inquiry officer and interpreter to come to the airport. But the 23-year-old East Indian seaman, who had been left sitting in a waiting room just outside the office door, disappeared.

A search of the airport proved fruitless and police were alerted.

Sidney RCMP subsequently learned a slightly-built man matching Singh's description

had hailed a C and C cab at the airport. He had originally asked to be taken to the bus depot, and while in the cab discussed in broken English where he could find a good restaurant. At Vanalman he said he wanted to get out, and walked away.

Police and immigration officials combed the area. Shortly after 6 p.m. Saanich police received a tip the man had phoned for a Royal Oak cab from a service station.

Police stopped the cab on Garbally Road where Singh was taken into custody and transported to Victoria police cells.

Doug Cook, head of Vancouver Island immigration, said Singh had been wandering through Europe for some years and then turned up in New York last November ostensibly to take a job on a ship.

However, he never showed up at the ship and in Febru-

ary was picked up by the U.S. border patrol in California.

An immigration hearing was held in San Francisco. Singh was ordered to leave the country within 30 days upon posting a \$1,000 cash bond.

He apparently travelled to Seattle and on the final day of his allowed stay in the U.S. caught a plane for Victoria.

Cook said if Singh is found to be an ineligible visitor to Canada, he will be returned to Seattle.

DEEPSEA SHIPS

NAVY

Mackenzie, Qu'Appelle and Saskatchewan at sea, returning May 8; Provider, Terra Nova, Restigouche and Kootenay at sea, returning June 4; all other ships in port.

Woman Strangled—Jury

Kathleen Arden, 78, of Langford, found dead last Nov. 30, was murdered by person or persons unknown, a coroner's jury ruled Wednesday.

She was discovered by her daughter, Mrs. Valentine Rowe, 1171 Colville, who received a telephone call from her stepfather, Walter Arden, asking her to come to the mobile home park at Langford where the elderly couple lived.

Mrs. Arden was found lying on the kitchen floor with a towel wrapped around her neck which was tied with a single knot.

Her husband was found unconscious, locked in the bathroom.

He told the jury he had risen at 8:30 that day, had breakfast with his wife, but then could not remember anything else until he woke up in Royal Jubilee Hospital.

Testimony from members of the family revealed Mrs. Arden was in the habit of wrapping a towel or other apparel around her neck to give her relief from arthritis of the spine.

The pathologist at Royal Jubilee said cause of death was strangulation.

Schools to Close 6 Days at Easter

British Columbia's public schools will be closed for six days from Friday, March 28 to Friday, April 4 inclusive, Education Minister Eileen Daily said Wednesday.

She said Good Friday, March 28, and Easter Monday, March 31 are statutory

holidays and the remaining four days constitute the balance of the annual spring vacation.

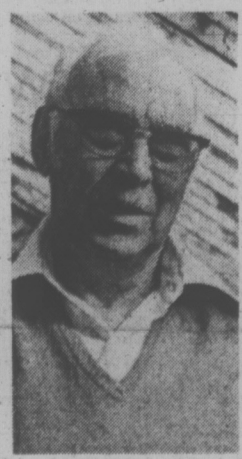
The school year will end for pupils on June 26 and for teachers on June 27, she said.

The calendar for the 1975-76 school year shows schools opening on September 3.

Charge Laid In Stabbing

A 44-year-old woman was charged in Victoria provincial court today with assault with intent to wound, stemming from a stabbing incident at a James Bay residence March 12.

Antoinette Bear of 509 Simcoe was remanded to Friday for election of trial method and plea.



LOHBRUNNER
... alpine authority

Degree for Nurseryman

Internationally-known nurseryman Edmund Herman Lohbrunner of Victoria will be one of two persons receiving honorary degrees at the University of Victoria's May 31 convocation.

Lohbrunner, 70, who has lived in Victoria all his life and owns Lohbrunner Nursery, is a recognized authority on alpine rock and garden plants.

He was the first Canadian to win the American Rock Garden Society's prestigious Marcel Le Pliniec award, and has introduced numerous na-

tive plants of Australia and New Zealand to North America.

Lohbrunner shared in bringing the first live plants from north of the Arctic Circle when he and his brother traveled the Yukon River in 1936 and collected nearly 20,000 garden varieties.

In subsequent years he has collected extensively on this continent, in Japan and in the Alps. He plans to revisit the Alps despite poor health and failing vision.

Instrumental in the formation of the Thetis Park Nature

Sanctuary, he is active in many local garden and conservation groups.

The second honorary degree will go to nuclear physicist Dr. Wilfrid Bennett Lewis of Queen's University in Kingston.

Lewis, 66, has done atomic research in Britain and served as director and senior vice-president of Canada's National research Council division of Atomic Energy Research.

The Uvic degree will be the 10th honorary one bestowed on Lewis.

WEATHER

Tonight: Increasing Cloud
Friday: Rain, Wind

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Firemen Going Trendy?

Victoria city firemen want new-style informal dress uniforms but they don't want peaked caps or any other type of headwear, which could clash with today's trendy hair styles.

Fire Chief Eric Simmons told city aldermen today that the Victoria firefighters have requested the new uniforms as one of their proposals in contract negotiations now under way.

As he showed the fire committee rough sketches of the suggested style of dress — a complete departure from the present military-type uniforms — there were some raised eyebrows and jokes, but no actual opposition.

However, the committee asked the fire chief to produce a more definite sample before any decision is made, and to consult with other municipal fire departments in Greater Victoria concerning the possibility of having standardized uniforms.

Simmons explained that the firefighters would like to replace the present dark-blue trousers and double-breasted jacket with double-knit pants and a dress shirt with badge on the shoulder.

In summer, the shirt would be short-sleeved and worn open-neck style, while in winter it would be a long-sleeved version worn with tie under a light nylon jacket.

For more formal occasions "such as the firemen's ball," the nylon jacket would be replaced with a blazer bearing the department's crest on the pocket.

Simmons said in part the suggestions had arisen out of problems involving the length of hair.

"They like to wear their hair fairly long and thick these days and it certainly doesn't go along with caps," he added.

Aldermen agreed with that point, noting the caps worn by postmen with Afro hair styles tend to look absurd.

Grain Workers Spurning Pact

PROSPECT LAKE CRASH LEAVES TWO DEAD

Two men were killed when the car they were riding in crashed head-on into a gravel truck on Prospect Lake Road near Munn Road at 11:05 a.m. today.

Saanich police are withholding names and ages of the victims pending notification of next of kin.

The name of the truck driver has also not been released though it is understood he was not injured.

A nearby resident said one of the victims was decapitated in the mishap. The other was pronounced dead on arrival at Victoria General Hospital.

The resident said the car in which the pair was travelling, a Volkswagen, was utterly demolished. Bits and pieces of the vehicle covered the road.

Bank Report Hits Wage Hike Race

By PETER THOMSON
Times Ottawa Bureau

OTTAWA — Anyone gaining a wage or salary increase today is taking it out of someone else's pocket because the economy is not producing any more, Bank of Canada Governor Gerald Bouey stated Wednesday.

And he warned that the continuing race for wage and salary increases is running Canada into a serious economic situation where everyone could suffer a reduction in standard of living.

In his annual report to the Minister of Finance, Bouey said that wage and salary increases are a major factor in the rapid increases in costs in Canada.

"There is, in fact, an open race going on between various groups for larger increases in money incomes."

Most Active Stocks

VANCOUVER (CP) — Prices were down in light trading at the Vancouver Stock Exchange today. Volume at closing was \$200,000. In the industrials, Fidelity Trust rights was unchanged at \$2.00, 84,800 shares. Venture was unchanged at \$1.00, 3,000 shares. Centerra was down .01 at \$2.00, 4,000 shares. Great National Land was unchanged at \$5.00, 2,200 shares. Athabasca Coal was unchanged at \$14.00, 21,500 shares. National was unchanged at \$12.25, 10,000 shares. Northern Home stake was down .02 at \$2.00, 500 shares. Cullis was down a half-cent at \$5.00, 20,000 shares. Grandora was down .03 at \$2.00, 27,500 shares. Coil was down .01 at \$2.00, 26,800 shares. Pathfinder was down .01 at \$2.00, 20,000 shares. Standard was down .01 at \$4.50, 10,000 shares. In the oils, Seneca Developments was up .03 at \$5.00, 11,500 shares. Stampede was unchanged at \$3.00, 7,000 shares. Con-Ex Mines was unchanged at \$3.00, 6,000 shares. Charlston was unchanged at \$3.00, 5,000 shares. Galveston was unchanged at \$1.40, 4,000 shares. Coske was down .05 at \$2.50, 10,000 shares.

"Since the race is occurring in a period in which there is no real increase in average real income per capita being achieved in the economy, none of the participants can gain except at the expense of others," Bouey said.

He said the seeking of higher incomes is "self-reinforcing" because even the less aggressive groups in society feel compelled to assert themselves for fear of falling far behind.

The process is self-defeating, Bouey stated, because the faster one group runs, the faster other groups run to gain and hold a lead.

"Meanwhile, the process is socially divisive and economically counter-productive," he said.

The governor, who is one of the two principle advisers to the finance minister, said that industries might not be able to pass on higher wage costs to customers.

Those industries facing foreign competition, at home or abroad, face the prospect of becoming less competitive vis-a-vis foreign suppliers.

This situation could lead to reduced production, higher per-unit costs, and still less chance of competing with foreign industries.

"The escalation of costs is seriously hindering regional investment planning on which the longer term prosperity of the economy depends."

"Nothing would do more to improve the prospects for the Canadian economy than a rapid slackening in the tempo of this race for higher money incomes," Bouey declared.

Donald, has set up a three-member committee which includes VSE representative David Huberman to look at all regulations of the exchange.

"We want to approve or disapprove of regulations. We are concerned that the listings are legitimate ventures for the public to invest in," said MacDonald.

Another cause for concern, he said, is the ease with which new listings are put on the exchange.

Times News Services

Although mail was moving normally around the country today, an enormous backlog of export grain remains to be tackled following a tentative settlement of the wage dispute that brought on more than a month of revolving strikes by federal blue-collar workers.

However, the bottleneck on grain exports on the west coast remained plugged as Vancouver weighmen and samplers in elevators went to a "study session" to consider the pay deal and longshoremen there remained out on a separate strike.

And in Thunder Bay, grain workers voted to reject the proposed contract.

They had borne the brunt of the strike and deserved more than the \$600 retroactive bonus the contract offers to all GLT workers, they claimed.

The striking PSAC members in Victoria returned to work this morning, but the recommended contract settlement isn't popular with the union members, regional representative Tom Dalzell said today.

"The members are pretty disgusted with it — to be out on strike so long and gain so little," Dalzell said.

There are about 600 general labor and trades group employees in Victoria, but not all were involved in the rotating strike plan.

The federal operations affected most in Victoria were the Ogden Point grain elevator and the transport ministry marine services base on Harbour Road.

A ratification vote on the contract will be carried out now. Results are expected on the weekend.

The tentative settlement arrived at through mediation would provide the 18,600 PSAC members with a 23.25-per-cent raise over a 26-month contract.

Strongest dissatisfaction with the wage settlement was expressed in the Atlantic provinces, where Larry Wallace, president of a PSAC local at the Canadian Forces base in Gagetown, N.B., said he and other union officials are meeting today to consider voting non-confidence in the union's bargaining team.

"Our negotiators have sold us down the river," said Wallace, who is also president of a PSAC council representing 109 locals in the eastern provinces. "We are very disgusted with this," he added.

In Ottawa, PSAC personnel went back to work but a spokesman said it is expected the membership ratification vote on the agreement worked out with the treasury board will be close.

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Hanoi Now In Control Of Half South Vietnam

Times News Services

SAIGON — An entire North Vietnamese division led by tanks invaded the extreme northern section of South Vietnam today, immediately overrunning Quang Tri.

At least eight provinces, almost half the country, are now under Communist domination and several more are threatened.

The stunning military setbacks brought a mass evacuation of more than a million refugees, apparently being carried out with full compliance of the Communists. Viet Cong troops gathered on Highway 7 in the Central Highlands and waved at one 60-mile-long convoy of fearful people.

The latest province to fall was Binh Long, 60 miles north of Saigon and bordering

Phuoc Long which fell in January. The Binh Long capital of An Loc withstood one of the heaviest sieges of this or any other war — 7,000 rounds of artillery fire a day for six months. Today the residents of An Loc packed up and left.

The Communist forces are now moving south toward Hue, amid moderate-to-heavy fighting.

Hue itself and the entire 80-mile stretch of South Vietnam from Quang Tri south to Da Nang are being abandoned by the government.

The loss of Quang Tri and Hue, coming on top of the abandonment of the Central Highlands, constitutes the most rapid and disastrous military setback for the Thieu regime in the history of the war.

Never before have major

population centres been abandoned with only token fighting.

South of Da Nang, the government is evacuating three heavily populated districts — Que Son, Duo Duc, and Dai Loc.

There is difficulty in the evacuation, however, because the Communists have cut off Route 1 about 15 miles south of Da Nang, possibly trapping tens of thousands of people before their advancing armies.

"We think that the battle for Hue will not be long in coming," said a government official, indicating that although the government believes it will lose the city, it will not give it away without some fighting.

The same strategy is apparently being followed in the

Highlands, where about a division or less of government troops is being left to harass the Communists.

Sources said Pleiku and Kontum cities have been declared free fire zones. More than 50 bombing sorties over the highlands have destroyed 100 planes, oil depots, ammunition dumps and other important government positions, sources said.

"We're following a scorched-earth policy line the Russians used against Hitler," said one government official.

President Nguyen Van Thieu was scheduled to address the nation on television Wednesday night but cancelled the broadcast without explanation.

One government official

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Injunction Move Delayed

An application for an injunction to restrain picket activity by striking school janitors and maintenance men was adjourned until 9 a.m. Tuesday in B.C. Supreme Court this morning.

Mr. Justice R. A. Wootton granted the adjournment at request of Local 382 Canadian union of Public Employees Union solicitor Ian Stewart, who said he had not had time to take instructions and that because of "widesweeping issues, arguments may be of substantial length."

School District 61 asked for a court order to eliminate mass picketing which the union has rotated between secondary schools and which it is argued has caused a sharp increase in student absenteeism throughout the district.

Schools are operating on a reduced basis with classes ranging from one to three hours, depending upon arrangements for volunteer cleaning at individual schools. (See page 11.)

The janitor local said its action of mass picketing was to draw public attention to the dispute and force the parties to resume bargaining toward a settlement. School employees are among nearly 1,800 civic and regional district staff on strike or locked out since Jan. 27.

CUPE representative Tom Smith said Wednesday an acceleration of the CUPE strike action is possible unless civic employers get down to bargaining.

School employees have stopped the type of mass picketing that resulted in a number of confrontations with teachers, and in the past two days have been distributing leaflets comparing salaries and wage gains of CUPE members and school administrators.

Smith said there were some CUPE locals in the Greater Victoria area which have "withheld themselves" from any action so far in the civic dispute but which may decide "they want to join with the rest of CUPE locals that could be in this position." Royal Oak Burial Park employees, North Saanich municipal workers, and employees of the Greater Victoria and Sidney water districts.

"We just want to make it clear that we have not exercised the maximum amount of pressure we could have," Smith said.

He said he has not suggested to these locals that they join in the CUPE dispute or had discussions with the members about joining, "but they (the members) may feel they want to participate if the dispute continues."

Smith denied an earlier report that there is a possibility of a general strike, involving affiliates of the Victoria Labor Council.

"There have been no discussions whatsoever about promoting a general strike of organized labor," he said.



RUSH HOUR TRAFFIC fills more than the streets in downtown Victoria these days. Clouds of starlings come to roost about supertime in trees along Belleville Street near Empress Hotel. There's a difference though. Despite numbers and absence of traffic signals, they never collide.

U.S. Firms May Get Jobs In Gov't Dredging Dilemma

Fischer Bows Out

BERGEN (AP) — World chess champion Bobby Fischer said today he will not meet Soviet challenger Anatoly Karpov in a scheduled \$5-million title match.

Fischer said earlier he would not defend the title unless both of his proposals for changes in the scoring system for the title match are accepted.

The congress Wednesday accepted one of Fischer's demands — for an unlimited number of drawn games with the title going to the player who reached 10 victories — but rejected a change that would allow Fischer to keep the title in event of a nine-nine tie.

The developments virtually insure that Karpov will become world champion by default.

OTTAWA (CP) — American dredging companies may get government business because of the dredging scandal.

Public Works Minister C. M. Drury told the Commons public works committee Wednesday that this is one of several alternatives his department is studying even though Canadian workers could be affected.

The public works department study illustrates the dilemma the government faces in awarding dredging contracts this summer.

The thirteen companies facing criminal charges in the dredging case account for much of the industry in the country.

A transport department official said the department will continue its current procedure of handing out dredging contracts unless otherwise notified.

Several of the companies charged in the dredging case were involved in a \$21 million transport department contract

for the Ile d'Orleans area in the St. Lawrence river.

The public works minister said his department is looking at a number of alternatives including a Crown corporation for dredging or even granting contracts to some of the firms involved in the scandal.

He indicated he does not like the Crown corporation idea.

"We are looking at a greater degree of centralization of all dredging operations under one department rather than having a number of departments and independent harbor commissions responsible for their own dredging," Drury said.

Under current departmental policy only Canadian corporations may bid for dredging contracts and use equipment of Canadian registry.

Replying to James McGrath (P.C.-St. John's East), Drury said that because some Canadian companies have been charged with criminal conspiracy on some contracts did not necessarily mean that the government "isn't able to get them to continue to work provided the costs are adequately controlled."

Max Saltzman (NDP-Waterloo-Cambridge) said the government should set up a crown corporation to handle government dredging contracts.

Transport Minister Jean Marchand has already indicated he thinks the idea is worth considering.

The problem with the government doing all its own dredging is that it would be saddled with idle equipment for much of the year, he said. This was uneconomic.

Some public works dredging contracts still are being carried out on the west coast.

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Superprize To Canadian ... Again

DUBLIN (CP) — J. P. Proulx of Hinton, Alta, today won the Irish Hospitals Sweepstake "superprize" of £200,000 (about \$460,000) in its draw of the Lincolnshire Handicap.

This is the tenth time a Canadian has won the major prize.

In Hinton, Proulx said he plans to ask for a leave of absence from his \$300-a-week job cutting trees.

He and his wife had not yet decided what to do with the money. But Proulx said that, as the Olympic lottery agent in Hinton, he is accustomed to handling large amounts of money.

The ticket was pulled out of a drum at the start of the draw for holders of horses in the Lincolnshire this Saturday.

A DUEL OF WORDS IN QUEEN'S HONOR

A duel will be fought in Toronto this spring between William Hamilton, the British politician, and sword-master Patrick Creen, who challenged Hamilton over his "scurrilous" book on the royal family.

The weapons will be words. Creen, in Victoria for his show The Sun Never Sets at the McPherson Playhouse tonight, said he heard of Hamilton's acceptance today.

Being the challenged, Hamilton had the choice of weapons.

"His weapon will be his tongue," Creen said. "I'm in the nature of being rather like Malcolm in Macbeth. I have no weapon, my voice is my sword."

He and Hamilton would undoubtedly discuss the politician's book, Creen said.

"I'm sure it will be very interesting and we'll get along famously, probably having lunch afterwards in spite of our differences of opinion."

What are Creen's chances of winning?

"It will be an honor even to be defeated with words if the defeat is for my queen," Creen said.

Jail Terms Urged for Insider Trading

Insider trading on the Vancouver Stock Exchange will become a criminal offence subject to a \$2,000 fine or one year in jail under legislation introduced by the provincial government Wednesday.

One of four bills submitted by Attorney-General Alex Macdonald, the Securities Amendment Act also provides that the government must approve any changes in the rules of the Vancouver Stock Exchange.

The government, said Mac-

donald, has set up a three-member committee which includes VSE representative David Huberman to look at all regulations of the exchange.

"We want to approve or disapprove of regulations. We are concerned that the listings are legitimate ventures for the public to invest in," said Macdonald.

Another cause for concern, he said, is the ease with which new listings are put on the exchange.

The department's new Crime Law Enforcement unit has outlined problems in the stock exchange. CLEU is looking at practices of puffing up and cornering shares.

"There's too many horses (businesses) allowed to run," said the attorney-general. "Some of them should have been left out to pasture."

The government intends to ensure that the VSE achieves a good reputation and make sure it is successful. People

have to believe in its reputation, he said.

Chief concern, however, is insider trading which has been a problem, although not a major one.

Macdonald said the legislation allows the superintendent of brokers, appointed by the government, to designate remedies for the victim of insider trading.

The pertinent section provides:

"That every insider of a corporation or associate or affil-

ate of the insider, who makes use of any specific confidential information for his own benefit, that, if generally known, might reasonably be expected to affect the material value of securities, is liable."

Those found guilty of infractions may be directed to compensate for loss suffered by an individual or company, and face the fine.

The first major piece of legislation to be introduced this

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Land Claim Decision Pending Dockworkers' Increase \$1.95 an Hour—Sun

PRINCE GEORGE (CP) — John Stokes, the provincial deputy minister of resources, said Wednesday a moratorium on development of lands claimed by the Naxko and Kluskus Indian bands is "still under study."

Stokes said no decision has been made on how to deal with the bands' announcement Tuesday that the Indians are claiming sole title to hundreds of square miles of the Blackwater and Naxko river watersheds of central B.C. The region begins about 50 miles west of Quesnel.

The Indians said Tuesday they would not allow government and industry to enter the area without permission and "unfortunate and unnecessary confrontations" would result if unauthorized activity occurred.

Stokes said he first heard of the bands' decisions on a radio news broadcast Wednesday morning and at that time had received no notification from the bands.

The bands have been opposing logging in the area since 1973 and last year they blocked construction of a logging road. Resources Minister Bob Williams ordered a three-month moratorium on further development of the area in May while studies were made.

Indians said that since then they have received "nothing but polite acknowledgments" concerning their demands.

The Indians said white residents would not be forced to leave the area, but applications for hay, grazing or other uses "of what is mistakenly called Crown land" are to be channelled through the Naxko band office.

The two bands have about 250 members.

VANCOUVER (CP) — The tentative contract negotiated by the B.C. Maritime Employers' Association and the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union includes a wage increase of \$1.95 an hour over two years, according to the Vancouver Sun.

The wage increase would be \$1.15 an hour this year and 80 cents an hour in 1978, the paper says.

The dock workers get time-

and-a-half rates for the afternoon shift and double time for the graveyard shift.

Base rate under the old contract was \$6.08 an hour.

The Sun says the tentative agreement reached last Sunday would delay a change in the clause governing the handling of containers, pending a detailed study of its effects.

Commenting on the Sun's report, Revenue Minister Ron

Basford in Ottawa welcomed Wednesday the terms of the proposed settlement and expressed the hope it will be accepted by both sides to end "a national tragedy."

Basford, in an interview, called "essential" the proposed study of the effects on traffic and jobs of the existing container clause, and stated that if the proposed agreement is not ratified, the federal government should undertake such a study on its own.

TANKER TUG BILL BACKED

OLYMPIA, Wash. (AP) — A bill that would require tugboat assistance for most supertankers operating in Puget Sound swept through the state house Wednesday on a 98-0 vote and was sent to the senate.

"This will provide a margin of safety in oil tanker operations in Puget Sound," said Rick Smith, Democratic representative for Bremerton, prime sponsor of the legislation.

Provisions of the bill would apply only to supertankers of 50,000 tons or more not having the following features: double hulls; twin propellers; shaft horsepower in the ratio of one horsepower to each 2½ deadweight tons; two radars in working order and such "other navigational position location systems as may be prescribed from time to time by the board of pilotage commissioners."

Peking Frees Taiwanese Prisoners

PEKING (Reuters) — China has announced it is releasing 293 "war criminals" in a special amnesty — a move interpreted here as a new initiative on the problem of Taiwan.

The announcement that the prisoners — all but three of them nationalists — would be released, was accompanied by the Communist government's most moderate statement yet on the Taiwan issue.

It was seen by observers as an indication that China hopes for a peaceful and negotiated return to mainland control of the offshore island, ruled for 25 years by Chiang Kai-shek.

The announcement, issued by the New China news agency, said that among the 293 to be released were 219 armed forces officers, 21 party and government officials and 50 secret agents. The group also included two prisoners from "Manchukuo" — the Manchú state created by Japan in 1934 — and one from the Inner Mongolian autonomous government.

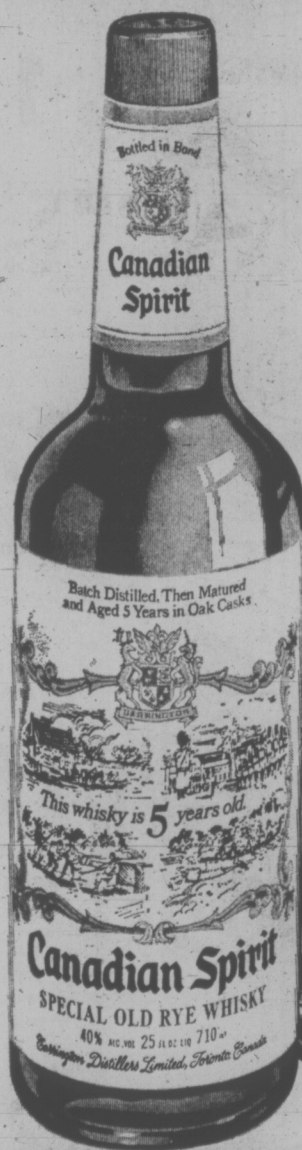
It was the first announced amnesty for prisoners.

No date was given for the releases.

"Those who wish to return to Taiwan may do so, and will be given adequate money for the travel and provided with conveniences, and whoever wishes to come back after going there will be welcome," the announcement said.

Observers noted that the phrase "we are determined to liberate Taiwan" — invariably used up to now in Peking's official statements on the Taiwan question — was absent from the announcement, signifying that the emphasis now is on reconciliation and negotiation rather than armed conflict.

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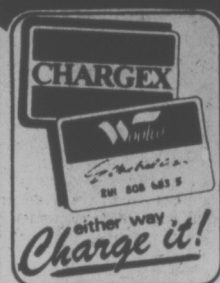
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